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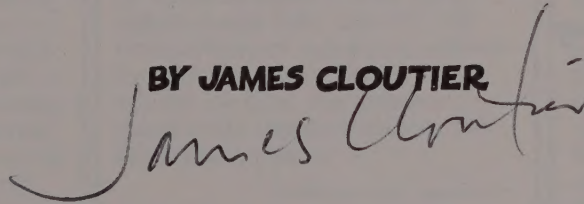
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JAN 4



THE FOLLOWING HEADLINE AND ITEM APPEARED IN THE JANUARY 4, 1896 ISSUE OF THE MORNING OREGONIAN:

"WOMEN BEAT THE MEN"

"EIGHT OF THE GENTLER SEX MADE THINGS EXTREMELY INTERESTING FOR EIGHT MALE BOWLERS OF THE MULTNOMAH CLUB, LAST NIGHT IN THE MIXED BOWLING TOURNAMENT HELD IN THE CLUB'S ALLEYS, BOWLING STRIKE FOR STRIKE AND SPARE FOR SPARE ALONG WITH THE MEN, AND THEY FINISHED THE TOURNAMENT BY GIVING THE MEN A BAD BEATING BY A SCORE, INCLUDING THE HANDICAP, OF 1128 TO 998."

JAN 5



"FOREST GROVE HAS ABOUT SEVEN HUNDRED INHABITANTS AND THERE IS NO BAKERY IN THE PLACE. THIS SPEAKS WELL FOR THE INDUSTRY AND ECONOMY OF THE WOMEN. HERE IS A CHANCE FOR AN ENTERPRISING BAKER WHO WISHES TO BUILD UP A BUSINESS AND MAKE A MODERATE INCOME."

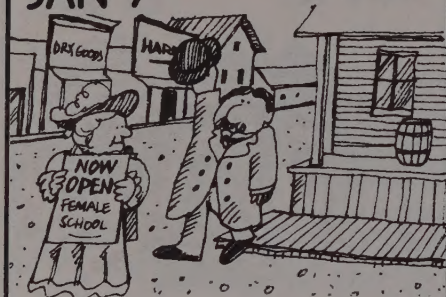
MORNING OREGONIAN
JANUARY 5, 1871

JAN 6



THE OREGON PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY, WHICH BEGAN AS THE CORVALLIS AND YAQUINA RAILROAD, DEDICATED ITS BRIDGE OVER THE WILLAMETTE RIVER AT ALBANY THIS DAY IN 1887. ONE WEEK LATER THE FIRST FREIGHT ROLLED INTO TOWN.

JAN 7



MRS. N. M THORNTON ANNOUNCED THE OPENING OF A FEMALE SCHOOL AT OREGON CITY IN 1847. THE ANNOUNCEMENT APPEARED IN THE OREGON SPECTATOR AND DESCRIBED THE FOLLOWING COURSES: "ENGLISH EDUCATION WILL BE TAUGHT IN THIS SCHOOL, TOGETHER WITH PLAIN AND FANCY NEEDLEWORK, DRAWING AND PAINTING IN MEZZOTINTO AND WATER COLORS."

JAN 8



THIS DAY IN 1897 ONE J.H. WASSMAN CHARGED TO HIS ACCOUNT AT CLEM HODES' SALOON IN EUGENE FOUR DRINKS OF HARD LIQUOR, THREE GLASSES OF BEER, FOUR 5¢ CIGARS AND TWO GAMES OF BILLIARDS. TOTAL AMOUNT OWED FOR THE DAY: \$1.15.

JAN 9



"MEASLES ARE PLENTY IN LA GRANDE. AS SOME OF THE PAPERS HAVE BEFORE REMARKED, THERE NEED BE NO FEAR BUT WHAT THERE WILL BE ENOUGH TO GO AROUND."

OREGONIAN
JANUARY 9, 1984

JAN 10



ON THIS DAY IN 1903, A BADLY WOUNDED SPERM WHALE DRIFTED INTO THE MOUTH OF THE COLUMBIA AND WAS BEACHED BY THE SURF NEAR ASTORIA. THE WHALE WHICH WAS EXPOSED AT LOW TIDE MEASURED 54 FEET IN LENGTH AND WEIGHED AN ESTIMATED 75 TONS. THERE WAS NO EXPLANATION FOR ITS PRESENCE AS SPERM WHALES WERE RARELY SEEN IN THESE LATITUDES. UNFORTUNATELY THE CREATURE DIED A FEW DAYS LATER.

JAN 11



WASCO COUNTY WAS CREATED ON JAN. 11, 1854 AND COMPRISED ALL THE AREA OF THE OREGON TERRITORY BETWEEN THE CASCADE RANGE AND THE CREST OF THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS WITH NEBRASKA FORMING THE EASTERN BOUNDARY LINE. THE NAME "WASCO" WAS TAKEN FROM THE INDIAN WORD "WACQ-O" MEANING CUP OR SMALL BOWL. THE COUNTY'S AREA WAS LATER REDUCED TO ITS PRESENT 2,392 SQUARE MILES.

JAN 12



THE TERRITORIAL LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY AT SALEM PASSED AN "ACT TO ESTABLISH THE WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY" THIS DAY IN 1853. PREVIOUS TO THIS, THE SCHOOL WAS KNOWN AS OREGON INSTITUTE FOUNDED BY JASON LEE AND OPERATED BY THE METHODIST MISSIONARIES IN 1884, MAKING IT THE OLDEST LEARNING INSTITUTION IN THE WEST.

JAN 13



THIS DATE IN 1837 MARKED THE BIRTH OF OREGON'S CATTLE INDUSTRY. ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT WERE ENTERED INTO BY "SETTLERS UPON THE WILLAMETTE RIVER" WHO REALIZED THE IMPORTANCE OF HAVING GOOD STOCK OF THEIR OWN. UNDETERRED BY THE HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY'S REFUSAL TO SELL THEM CATTLE, THE NEWLY FORMED WILLAMETTE CATTLE COMPANY TOOK PASSAGE ON THE BRIG LORION TO CALIFORNIA WHERE THEY PURCHASED SPANISH HERDS AND DROVE THEM BACK TO OREGON.

JAN 14



ON JANUARY 14, 1889 THE ROSEBURG CITY COUNCIL PASSED AN ANTI-NOISE LAW WHICH READ: "AN ORDINANCE TO PREVENT THE USE OF BELLS ON COWS AND OTHER DOMESTIC ANIMALS IN THE NIGHT TIME BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8 O'CLOCK AND 6 O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING."

JAN 15



BUTTERMILK CREEK FLOWS THROUGH PHILOMATH INTO MARY'S RIVER. A LETTER IN THE JANUARY 15, 1942 EDITION OF THE PHILOMATH REVIEW FROM F.S. MINSHALL EXPLAINED THE CREEK'S NAME: "YEARS AGO A CREAMERY OPERATED ALONG THIS BROOK AND RAN ITS SURPLUS BUTTERMILK INTO THE DRAIN. WHEN SUMMER CAME, THE RESULTING ODOR AROUSED INDIGNATION AMONG RESIDENTS. VARIOUS METHODS INCLUDING THE APPOINTMENT OF A 'SMELLING COMMITTEE' BY THE COUNCIL WERE UNSUCCESSFUL AT ELIMINATING THE STENCH. THE CREAMERY FINALLY WENT OUT OF BUSINESS, BUT THE NAME 'BUTTER MILK' STILL REMAINS."

JAN 16



ONE OF THE EARLIEST EXAMPLES OF BARTERING, POPULAR AMONG WILLAMETTE VALLEY SETTLERS IN THE OREGON TERRITORY, OCCURRED ON JANUARY 16, 1848 WHEN MICHAEL RIDENOUR AND SOLOMON K. BROWN FURNISHED ONE OX TO THE CALAPOOYA INDIANS FOR LAND LAYING ON THE WILLAMETTE RIVER BETWEEN MARYS RIVER AND LONG TOM CREEK.

JAN 17



THE NORTHBOUND O.R. & N. TRAIN WAS HELD UP THIS WINTER DAY BY ARMED CITIZENS OF THE COMMUNITY OF ADAMS IN UMATILLA COUNTY. MADE DESPERATE BY THE LONG-CONTINUED FUEL FAMINE CAUSED BY A PROLONGED AND SEVERE COLD SPELL, THE PARTY SEIZED ONE CAR-LOAD OF COAL CONSIGN-ED TO EUGENE TAUSICK AT WALLA WALLA. THE YEAR WAS 1907.

JAN 18



"THERE IS A PRESENT SCARCITY OF CHANGE. TEN AND TWENTY DOLLAR PIECES ARE PLENTY ENOUGH BUT SILVER IS SCARCE. NOTHING DISCONCERTS A SENSITIVE MAN AS TO BE OBLIGED TO FUMBLE OVER A HANDFUL OF GOLD, TRYING TO FIND A TEN CENT OR TWO BIT PIECE."

WEEKLY ASTORIAN
JANUARY 18, 1884

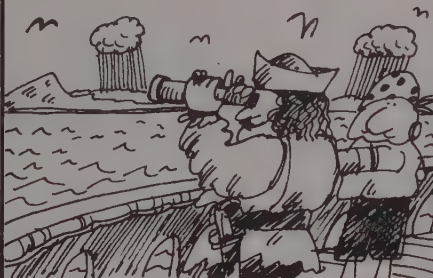
JAN 19



"ONE HUNDRED-TWENTY-NINE CITIZENS OF EUGENE SWORE OFF DRINKING ARDENT SPIRITS ON NEW YEAR'S DAY. ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTEEN HAVE GONE BACK TO THEIR CUPS AND THE OTHER ELEVEN ARE HANGING ON THE VERGE AND AROUND SALOONS."

OREGONIAN
JANUARY 19, 1874

JAN 20



CAPE SEBASTIAN ON SOUTHERN OREGON'S COAST WAS NAMED THIS DAY IN 1603 WHEN SEBASTIAN VIZCAINO, SAILING NORTH FROM MEXICO ON AN EXPLORING EXPEDITION, SIGHTED A TOWERING WHITE BLUFF NEAR A POINT HE DETERMINED TO BE THE 42ND PARALLEL. HE NAMED THE PRECIPICE NOT AFTER HIMSELF BUT IN HONOR OF THE SAINT THAT DAY, SAN SEBASTIAN. THE 700' HIGH CAPE MARKED THE TERMINUS OF HIS NORTHWARD VOYAGE.

JAN 21



"P. STILSSON LEFT ASTORIA WITH EXPRESS LETTERS LAST SATURDAY AT 11:00 A.M. HE CAME OVERLAND AND REACHED CORVALLIS THIS AFTERNOON. HE REPORTS THE STEAMER DOCKED AT THE WHARF, ICE-BOUND. SHE ARRIVED ON THE 4TH. HER PASSENGERS ARE STILL THERE. THE RIVER IS FULL OF FLOATING ICE. THERE ARE LARGE ICE FIELDS ON THE SHOALS BETWEEN ASTORIA AND SAND ISLAND. THE CHANNELS ARE CLEAR BELOW ASTORIA."

OREGONIAN
JANUARY 21, 1875

JAN 22



THE HEPPNER GAZETTE ISSUED THE FOLLOWING ULTIMATUM JANUARY 22, 1894: "HEREAFTER BOYS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO SMOKE CIGARETTES AND CHEW TOBACCO AND SPIT ON THE FLOOR IN THE CHURCHES HERE."

JAN 23



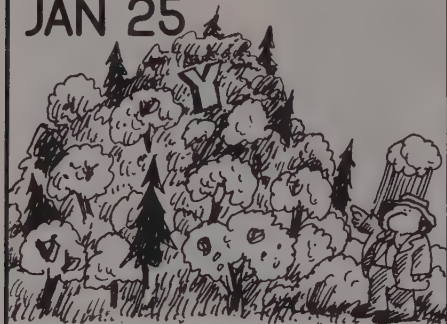
IN 1851 THE CITY OF PORTLAND WAS INCORPORATED EFFECTIVE THIS DAY, MAKING IT THE SECOND INCORPORATED COMMUNITY, AFTER OREGON CITY, IN THE OREGON TERRITORY. A TOSS OF A COIN BETWEEN ASA LOVEJOY FROM BOSTON AND FRANCIS PETTY-GROVE OF PORTLAND, MAINE LATER IN THE YEAR DETERMINED THE CITY'S NAME. BUT, BECAUSE OF THE CLUSTERS OF TREE STUMPS BETWEEN LOG CABINS THERE, TRAVELERS PASSING THROUGH CONTINUED TO CALL THE COMMUNITY "STUMPTOWN."

JAN 24



AN 1870 PROSPECTUS OF THE FORTH-COMING CITY DIRECTORY WAS RELEASED THIS DAY. LISTED WERE 37 INCORPORATED COMPANIES IN PORTLAND WITH AN AGGREGATE CAPITAL OF \$40,000,000. AMONG THE OCCUPATIONS LISTED WERE THE FOLLOWING: 7 SEWING MACHINE AGENTS, 1 SODA WATER MANUFACTURER, 6 EDITORS, 3 GOLD DUST DEALERS, 1 WIG MAKER, 29 PHYSICIANS INCLUDING 3 CHINESE AND 47 RETAIL LIQUOR DEALERS.

JAN 25



ROSELLE APPLEGATE PUTNAM, DAUGHTER OF JESSE APPLEGATE IN A LETTER DATED JAN. 25, 1852, WROTE: "...WHAT IS YONCALLA— NOW IT IS NOT A TOWN NOR A PLACE OF MAN'S CREATION NOR OF A WHITE MAN'S NAMING— BUT IT IS A HILL ROUND AND HIGH AND BEAUTIFUL; A SPLENDID REPRESENTATIVE OF HILLS IN GENERAL— IT IS TEN MILES IN CIRCUMFERENCE AND ONE AND A HALF IN HEIGHT. THE NORTH SIDE OF IT IS COVERED WITH FIR TIMBER, OAK, HAZEL AND VARIOUS KINDS OF UNDERWOOD... FROM TIME IMMEMORIAL A HARBOR FOR DEER, BEAR, WOLVES AND MANY OTHER KINDS OF WILD ANIMALS..."

JAN 26



ON THIS DAY IN 1935, THE SOUTHERN OREGON TOWN OF JACKSONVILLE, SITE OF THE STATES EARLIEST GOLD MINES, TOOK ON A STRANGE APPEARANCE AS 40 YEAR-OLD MINE TIMBERS BEGAN GIVING WAY UNDER THE STRAIN OF HEAVY RAINS. THE CITY COUNCIL THREATENED TO TAKE LEGAL ACTION AGAINST PROPERTY OWNERS HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR TUNNELING UNDER THE STREETS. And— ON THIS DAY IN 1938, AN ANONYMOUS ARTIST GOT HIS START IN PORTLAND BY BEING BORN. HOW ELSE DOES ONE GET STARTED?

JAN 27



THE FOLLOWING ITEM APPEARED IN THE JANUARY 27, 1878 ISSUE OF THE DAILY ASTORIAN: "HANS ANDERSON, IN THE NEHALEM VALLEY, HAS RAISED SOME OF THE FINEST TOBACCO FOR CIGAR WORK THAT CAN BE FOUND. IT IS OF GOOD FLAVOR, FREE FROM STEMS AND CIGAR MAKERS OUGHT TO SEE IT. MR. F. FERELL OF THIS CITY HAS SAMPLES OF IT."

JAN 28



THE OREGON TERRITORIAL LEGISLATURE IN 1851 ON THIS DAY CREATED LANE COUNTY IN HONOR OF GOVERNOR JOSEPH LANE. IT INCLUDED ALL THAT PORTION OF THE TERRITORY SOUTH OF UNION COUNTY, RUNNING FROM THIS LINE TO THE DIVIDE OF THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS. IT WAS THOUGHT THE COUNTY SEAT WOULD BE EUGENE CITY.

JAN 29



JANUARY 29, 1890, WAS ANOTHER FRIGID DAY AS THE PORTLAND & VANCOUVER RAILROAD COMPANY SENT THEIR FERRY, WHICH HAD BEEN DOCKED AT JOHNSON'S WHARF SINCE THE FREEZE UP, TO THE COLUMBIA TO TRY AND BREAK THE ICE UP TO VANCOUVER. BECAUSE OF HEAVY PREVAILING WINDS, LITTLE HAD BEEN DONE TO BREAK UP THE 4-INCH ICE, MAKING IT IMPOSSIBLE TO CROSS OVER TO VANCOUVER.

JAN 30



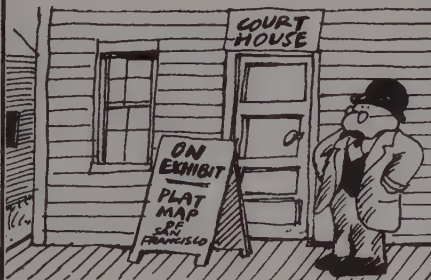
"OREGON WILL HAVE EIGHT DELEGATES AT THE CONVENTION OF THE NATIONAL WOMAN'S PARTY TO BE HELD IN WASHINGTON, FEBRUARY 15 TO 18." THIS WAS THE ANNOUNCEMENT MADE ON THIS DAY IN 1921. FOLLOWING THE PASSAGE OF EQUAL SUFFRAGE THE CONVENTION'S PURPOSE WAS THE ADOPTION OF A FUTURE PROGRAM. SOME MALES SPECULATED WITH CONCERN THAT THE WOMEN, NOT CONTENT WITH EQUALITY, WANTED SOMETHING MORE.

JAN 31



ON THIS DAY IN 1847, OREGON CITY CONTAINED APPROXIMATELY NINETY FOUR HOUSES, AND TWO OR THREE HUNDRED INHABITANTS...TWO HOTELS, TWO GIST MILLS, THREE SAW MILLS, FOUR STORES, TWO WATCH MAKERS, ONE GUNSMITH, ONE LAWYER AND DOCTORS AD LIBITUM.

FEB 1



OREGON CITY, WHICH BECAME THE FIRST INCORPORATED CITY IN THE OREGON TERRITORY AND WEST OF THE ROCKIES IN 1844, WAS ALSO THE FIRST SEAT OF AMERICAN GOVERNMENT ON THE PACIFIC COAST. FOR THIS REASON, THE CITY OF SAN FRANCISCO FILED ITS PLAT MAP HERE ON FEBRUARY 1, 1850. THE MAP STILL HANGS IN THE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE AT THE CLACKAMAS COUNTY COURTHOUSE AND IS THE ONLY ONE KNOWN TO EXIST.

FEB 2



THE FIRST OF SEVERAL "WOLF MEETINGS", SO CALLED BECAUSE THEY WERE OSTENSIBLY CALLED FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELIMINATING PREDATORY ANIMALS WAS HELD THIS DAY IN 1843 AT THE OREGON INSTITUTE IN SALEM. (IN REALITY, THE WILLAMETTE VALLEY SETTLERS INVOLVED WERE BOLDLY MAKING PLANS FOR THE FORMATION OF A PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT IN OREGON.

FEB 3



THE EDITOR'S OPINION OF THE WOMAN'S SUFFRAGE MOVEMENT WAS CLEARLY DISCERNIBLE IN THE FOLLOWING ITEM HE WROTE FOR THE EUGENE GUARD, FEB. 3, 1872:

"LECTURE.- A FEMALE WOMAN BY THE NAME OF ANGELINA JANE DUNIWAY LECTURED AT THE COURTHOUSE ON THURSDAY AND FRIDAY EVENINGS. WE INFER THAT SHE IS ONE OF THE STRONG-MINDED, BUT WHENCE SHE CAME, WHITHER SHE GOES WE KNOW AND CARE NOT."

FEB 4



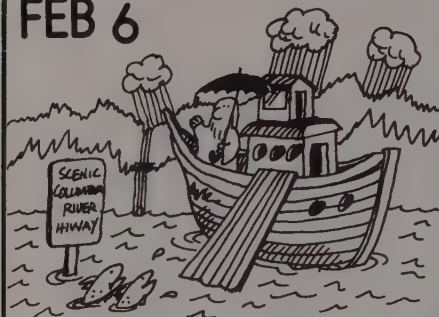
PORTLAND'S FRONT AND FIRST STREETS WERE INNUNDATED THIS DAY IN 1890 BY THE RAGING FLOOD WATERS OF THE WILLAMETTE RIVER. ROW BOATS AND SKIFFS NAVIGATED A GOOD LENGTH OF FRONT STREET. THE MORRISON BRIDGE, STRAINING FROM THE RAMPAGING RIVER, WAS CLOSED TO TRAFFIC BY 11 A.M. AND BUSINESS HALTED AS CROWDS GATHERED ALONG THE DOCKS TO OBSERVE THE AWESOME TORRENT OF WATER...AND ONE OF THE VALLEY'S WORST FLOODS.

FEB 5



OREGON'S FIRST NEWSPAPER, AND FIRST ON THE PACIFIC COAST, THE OREGON SPECTATOR, WAS PULLED FROM THE STICKY TYPE OF A WASHINGTON HAND PRESS THIS DAY IN 1846. PRINTING OFFICES WERE SET UP IN OREGON CITY BY A GROUP OF WILLAMETTE VALLEY SETTLERS ORGANIZED AS THE OREGON PRINTING ASSOCIATION. FOR THE NEAR DECADE THAT IT WAS PUBLISHED, THE FORTNIGHTLY SPECTATOR MARKEDLY INFLUENCED THE POLITICAL AND CULTURAL CLIMATE OF THE DAY.

FEB 6



ON THIS DAY IN 1946 TORRENTIAL SHOWERS CAUSED SLIDES TO BLOCK THE COLUMBIA RIVER HIGHWAY, AND ON FEBRUARY 6, 1872, THE RAINS BEGAN AND LASTED FORTY DAYS AND FORTY NIGHTS.

FEB 7



THE WILLAMETTE VALLEY SETTLERS CONVENED THEIR FIRST MEETING THIS DAY IN 1841 AT CHAMPOEG, THE PRIMARY SETTLEMENT IN THE VALLEY. IN ADDITION TO SELECTING REVEREND JASON LEE AS CHAIRMAN, THE GROUP CONSIDERED THE MEASURES NECESSARY TO BE TAKEN FOR THE FORMATION OF LAWS, AND THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS TO EXECUTE THEM.

FEB 8



"MR. JONATHAN HAS FURNISHED THE ENROLLMENT OF NAMES IN THIS CITY (PORTLAND), AND WILL MAKE HIS REPORT TO THE PROVOST MARSHALL TODAY. IF EVERY MAN WAS KNOWN TO BE THE AGE OF FORTY-SIX OR FORTY-SEVEN YEARS, AS THEY WOULD HAVE HAD THE ENROLLING OFFICER THINK THEY WERE, WE COULD CHRONICLE A GREAT EXCESS OF YOUNG SHOULDERS WITH OLD HEADS, ESPECIALLY AMONG HUSBANDS WITH TIMID WIVES."

OREGONIAN
FEB. 8, 1864

FEB 9



"AN EVENT OCCURED IN THE VICINITY OF SANDY ON THURSDAY NIGHT THAT, UNDER ORDINARY CIRCUMSTANCES WOULD BE CALLED OUTRAGEOUS, BUT IN THIS CASE WAS UNDOUBTEDLY DESERVED. IT APPEARS THAT A MAN EMPLOYED THERE TO TEACH SCHOOL, SET OUT TO RUIN ONE OF HIS FEMALE SCHOLARS, AND ACCOMPLISHED HIS PURPOSE. THE SUBJECT WAS BROUGHT TO LIGHT, AND ON THE NIGHT STATED, THE WRETCH WAS TREATED TO A COAT OF TAR AND FEATHERS."

OREGONIAN
FEB. 9, 1864

FEB 10



ON THIS DAY IN 1878 GEORGE MELVIN MILLER DESCRIBED HIS ATTEMPT TO GO FROM EUGENE CITY TO COBURG, A DISTANCE OF 6-8 MILES. "AT NOON STARTED FOR HOME AND BY PERSISTANT WADING THROUGH THE MUD REACHED HOME IN THE EVENING."

FEB 11



AT A MEETING HELD IN THE LINN COUNTY COURTHOUSE IN ALBANY, THE FREE STATE REPUBLICAN PARTY WAS FORMALLY ORGANIZED THIS DAY, 1897. AFTER ELECTING W.T. MATLOCK PRESIDENT AND LEANDER HOLMES SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION, THE PARTY PASSED A PLATFORM CALLING FOR OREGON'S ADMISSION AS A "FREE STATE" AND THE IMMEDIATE CONSTRUCTION OF A TRANSCONTINENTAL RAILROAD.

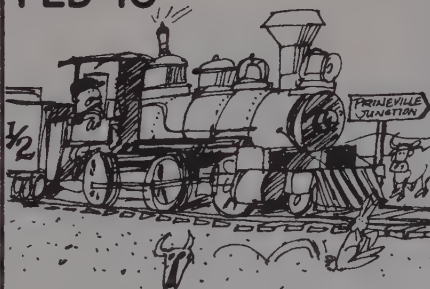
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FEB 15



ON FEBRUARY 15, 1849, THE PROVISIONAL LEGISLATURE ADOPTED A PLAN TO MINT "BEAVER MONEY" IN FIVE AND TEN DOLLAR COINS. THE COINS, WITH A BEAVER IM-PRINT, HELPED TO SUPPLY A MONETARY SOLU-TION TO A CONFUSING AND DIFFICULT EX-CHANGE SITUATION. THEY WERE MINTED BY THE OREGON EXCHANGE COMPANY AND FORCED THE VALUE OF GOLD FROM ELEVEN DOLLARS TO SIXTEEN DOLLARS AN OUNCE. WHEN U.S. COINS FROM THE SAN FRAN-CISCO MINT CAME INTO USE, THE GOVERN-MENT BOUGHT UP MOST OF THE "BEAVER MONEY."

FEB 16



THE PRINEVILLE CITY COUNCIL, ON THIS DAY IN 1916, ASKED ITS CITIZENS TO VOTE A BOND ISSUE TO BUILD A RAILROAD. THE \$100,000 ISSUE WAS APPROVED ON MARCH 18 AND DURING THE FOLLOWING TWO YEARS ADDITIONAL MONEY WAS AD-PROPRIATED FOR THE CITY TO BUILD ITS OWN RAIL SYSTEM, THE PRINEVILLE RAILROAD. THE LINE EXTENDED 19 MILES DOWN THE CROOKED RIVER LINKING UP WITH THE OREGON TRUNK, U.P. AND G.N. TRAINS AT PRINEVILLE JUNCTION.

FEB 17



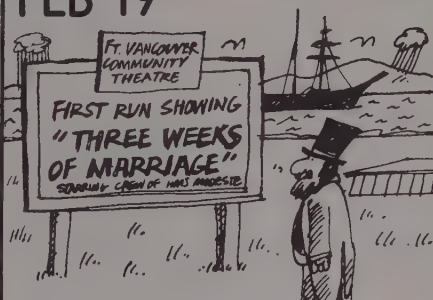
THE FOLLOWING ITEM APPEARED IN A PORTLAND NEWSPAPER ON FEBRUARY 17, 1894; "JOHN PHILLIP SOUSAS BAND, THE MOST PRONOUNCED MUSICAL SUCCESS OF RECENT YEARS, WILL PLAY IN PORTLAND THIS EVENING AND TOMORROW. ITS COM-ING WILL BE A MOST INTERESTING EVENT TO ALL PROFESSIONAL MUSICIANS AND MUSIC LOVERS. THE HISTORY OF MILI-TARY BANDS SHOWS NO PARALLEL TO THE RAPID RISE OF FAVOR ENJOYED BY THIS ORGANIZATION IN THE TWO YEARS OF ITS EXISTENCE. MR. SOUSA IS A MAST-ERLY BAND CONDUCTOR."

FEB 18



IN 1910 A HIGH SCORING BASKETBALL GAME BETWEEN WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY AND THE UNIVERSITY OF OREGON WAS PLAYED IN EUGENE THIS NIGHT. WILLAMETTE U. WON 20 TO 9 IN A VERY ROUGH CONTEST WITH MANY FOULS CALLED ON EACH TEAM. THE CAPITOL CITY TEAM'S FLOOR WORK WAS EXCELLENT WITH MEINTYRE STANDING OUT IN HIS BASKET THROWING. OREGON DISPLAYED SUPERIORITY ONLY IN DRIBBLE.

FEB 19



THE FIRST KNOWN THEATRICAL PERFORMANCE GIVEN IN OREGON WAS PRESENTED THIS DAY IN 1846 BY THE CREW OF THE BRITISH SLOOP, *MODESTE*, ANCHORED OFF FORT VANCOUVER. SETTLERS FOR MILES UP AND DOWN THE WILLAMETTE VALLEY JOURNEYED TO SEE A PSEUDOPHISTICATED PLAY TITLED, *THREE WEEKS OF MARRIAGE*.

FEB 20



ON THIS DAY IN 1893, THE STATE LEGISLATURE CREATED LINCOLN COUNTY OUT OF THE SILETZ INDIAN RESERVATION AND THE WESTERN PART OF BENTON COUNTY. TOLEDO WAS EVENTUALLY CHOSEN THE COUNTY SEAT. THE COUNTY WAS NAMED FOR ABRAHAM LINCOLN BUT NOT UNTIL AFTER A PROLONGED DEBATE IN WHICH THE NAMES "BLAINE" AND "BAY" WERE STRONGLY FAVORED.

FEB 21



"THERE ARE FIVE SALOONS AND TWO BREWERIES IN ALBANY, AND STILL ALBANIANS ARE NOT HAPPY."

OREGONIAN
FEB. 21, 1874

FEB 22



"TUESDAY - WEATHER FINE 6 MEN STARTED TO EXAMINE THE ROAD I FEEL ANXIOUS REGARDING OUR ROUTE WE ARE NOW BUT EIGHT ENCAMPMENTS FROM THE MAIN SNAKE RIVER AND ALL ACCOUNTS THAT WE CAN NEVER REACH IT WITH OUR HORSES IN THEIR PRESENT STATE... PARTY SENT ON DISCOVERY RETURNED THIS DAY WITH MOST UNFAVORABLE ACCOUNTS OF THE ROAD... I MUST CONFESS THE PROSPECT IS GLOOMY."

JOURNAL OF PETER SKENE OGDEN
FEBRUARY 22, 1825

FEB 23



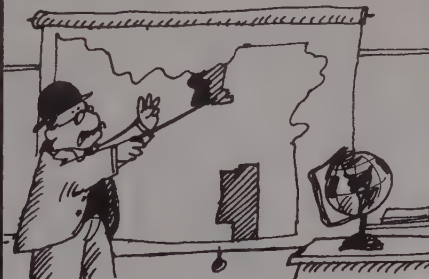
A MASS MEETING OF PORTLAND'S WOMEN WAS HELD THIS DAY IN 1910 TO PROTEST THE HIGH STEPS OF THE CITY'S STREET CARS. DEMANDS WERE ISSUED BY THE WOMEN TO LOWER THE STEPS SO THAT THEY COULD STEP UP AND DOWN WITHOUT BEING LEERED AT BY PASSING MALES. RECOGNIZING THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE SITUATION, MORALLY AND POLITICALLY, THE MAYOR INTERVENED AND CONVINCED THE STREET CAR COMPANY TO LOWER ITS STEPS IMMEDIATELY.

FEB 24



A BALL CELEBRATING WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY WAS GIVEN THIS EVENING IN 1846 BY CAPT. H.M. KNIGHTON AND LADY AT OREGON CITY. THE CELEBRATION, POSTPONED UNTIL THIS DATE BECAUSE THE 22nd WAS A SABBATH, WAS WELL ATTENDED BY OREGON SETTLERS AND OFFICERS FROM H.M.S. MODESTE. EVERY THING REPORTEDLY WENT SMOOTHLY AND "EVIDENCE OF INTOXICATION WAS HAPPILY ABSENT."

FEB 25



THREE OREGON COUNTIES WERE CREATED THIS DAY. BY ACT OF THE LEGISLATURE IN 1889, SHERMAN AND HARNEY COUNTIES WERE CARVED OUT OF EASTERN OREGON, AND IN 1885 GILLIAM COUNTY CAME INTO BEING. THE BILL CREATING SHERMAN COUNTY ORIGINALLY CALLED FOR THE NAME TO BE FULTON, AFTER COL. JAMES FULTON, ONE OF ITS EARLY SETTLERS. BUT WHEN IT WAS LEARNED HE WAS A SOUTH-ERN SYMPATHIZER, AND HAD MADE VERBAL ATTACKS AGAINST SHERMAN, THE NAME WAS CHANGED.

FEB 26



"SMOKING MOUNTAINS - THE UNIONIST SAYS: PERSONS AT DALLES ON MON-DAY MORNING SAY A WREATH OF SMOKE ASCENDING FROM THE SUMMIT OF MT. JEFFERSON... THE PHENOMENON WAS OBSERVED BY FIFTY PERSONS, SOME OF WHO CALLED TO THEIR AIDE A LARGE SPY GLASS. THE SIGNAL MENTIONS THE FACT THAT SMOKE WAS RECENTLY OBSERVED ISSUING FROM ONE OF THE THREE SISTERS. CAL-IFORNIANS HAD BETTER SLEEP WITH THEIR CLOTHES ON, FOR IT IS VERY PROBABLE THAT THEY WILL GET ANOTHER SHAKE UP."

OREGONIAN
FEB. 26, 1869

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JOHN BALL, FIRST SCHOOL TEACHER AND LAWYER IN THE OREGON COUNTRY WROTE THE FOLLOWING LETTER ON THIS DAY IN 1834: "THE SCHOLARS CAME IN TALKING THEIR RESPECTIVE LANGUAGES— NEZ PERCE, CHINOOK, KLICKITAT, ETC. I COULD NOT UNDERSTAND THEM AND WHEN I CALLED THEM TO ORDER, THERE WAS BUT ONE WHO UNDERSTOOD ME... I CONTINUED IN THE SCHOOL OVER 18 MONTHS, DURING WHICH THE SCHOLARS LEARNED TO SPEAK ENGLISH... SOME HAD GONE THROUGH ARITHMETIC, AND UPON REVIEW, COPIED IT—ENTIRELY. THESE COPIES WERE AFTERWARD USED AS SCHOOL BOOKS, THERE HAVING ONLY BEEN ONE PRINTED COPY AT FORT VANCOUVER. THE SCHOOL NUMBERED 25 PUPILS."

MAR 2



GENERAL JOSEPH LANE OF INDIANA, APPOINTED FIRST TERRITORIAL GOVERNOR OF THE OREGON TERRITORY LAST AUGUST 17 BY PRESIDENT POLK, ARRIVED AT OREGON CITY THIS MORNING, 1849. HIS FIRST PROCLAMATION WAS THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW GOVERNMENT IN OREGON. GENERAL LANE, A ONE-TIME INDIANA SENATOR AND SOLDIER UNDER GENERAL SCOTT IN THE MEXICAN WAR WAS HIGHLY REGARDED IN THE STATES.

MAR 3



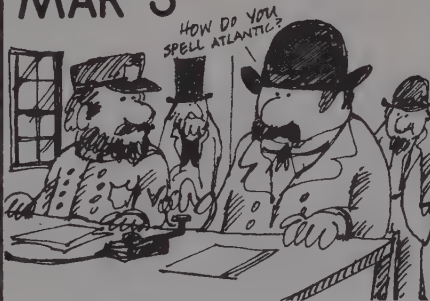
THE FIRST STEAMBOAT TO CRUISE UP THE WILLAMETTE RIVER TO EUGENE WAS THE JAMES CLINTON ON MARCH 3, 1857. THE TRIP FROM CORVALLIS TOOK THREE DAYS. THIS INITIAL VOYAGE OF THE JAMES CLINTON WAS OF GREAT IMPORTANCE TO THE WILLAMETTE VALLEY AS IT RESULTED IN THE FORMATION OF THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION COMPANY AND ACCELERATED THE FLOW OF GOODS FROM UPPER WILLAMETTE TOWNS. AS BUSINESS INCREASED, OTHER STEAMERS WERE ADDED TO THE LINE.

MAR 4



U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE FOR OREGON AND FOUNDER OF THE MULTNOMAH PUBLIC LIBRARY, MATTHEW P. DEADY NOTES IN HIS 1882, DIARY THAT THIS DAY WAS HIS SON'S BIRTHDAY. "HE GOT UP THIS MORNING BY DAYLIGHT AND STAYED AWAY UNTIL BREAKFAST TO AVOID BEING "SPANKED" 13 TIMES... SUNDAY WAS MRS. DEADY'S 47th BIRTHDAY, AND IT PASSED WITHOUT NOTICE."

MAR 5



OREGON WAS FINALLY LINKED BY WIRE TO THE ATLANTIC COAST WITH THE COMPLETION OF THE TELEGRAPH SYSTEM BETWEEN PORTLAND AND CALIFORNIA ON THIS DAY IN 1864. TO COMMEMORATE THIS HISTORIC OCCASSION, A MESSAGE WAS SENT BY THE MAYOR TO THE MAYOR OF PORTLAND, MAINE:

"PORTLAND OF THE PACIFIC TO PORTLAND OF THE ATLANTIC—THE YOUNGER TO THE OLDER SISTER—ONE IN NAME. MAY THEY EVER BE UNITED IN THE PRESERVATION OF OUR COMMON COUNTRY AND ITS LIBERTIES."

MAR 6



A MEETING WAS HELD IN PORTLAND THIS DAY IN 1922 AND THE PERMANENT ORGANIZATION OF THE OREGON HOME PROTECTIVE LEAGUE WAS EFFECTED. HEADING THE LIST OF THE LEAGUE'S PRIORITIES WAS THE PROPOSED CAMPAIGN TO ABOLISH DANGERING IN SCHOOL BUILDINGS AND PLANS WERE MADE FOR A STRENUOUS LEGAL BATTLE, TO THE SUPREME COURT IF NECESSARY.

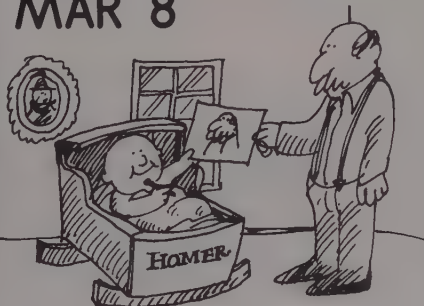
MAR 7



"AT NOON, OUR LATITUDE WAS 44°33' NORTH, AND OUR LONGITUDE WAS 235° 25' EAST AND THE LAND EXTENDED FROM NORTH EAST HALF NORTH TO SOUTH EAST BY SOUTH... AT THE NORTHERN EXTREME, THE LAND FORMED A POINT, WHICH I CALLED CAPE FOUL WEATHER, FROM THE VERY BAD WEATHER THAT WE, SOON AFTER, MET WITH."

JOURNAL OF CAPT. JAMES COOK
MARCH 7, 1778

MAR 8



TODAY IS THE BIRTHDAY OF OREGON'S MOST FAMOUS CARTOONIST, HOMER C. DAVENPORT. BORN IN THE WALDO HILLS IN 1867 AND RAISED IN SILVERTON, HOMER BEGAN HIS CARTOONING CAREER WITH THE MORNING OREGONIAN IN 1890. AFTER A BRIEF STINT WITH THE SAN FRANCISCO EXAMINER, HE WENT BACK EAST WHERE HE DREW FOR THE N.Y. JOURNAL. IT WAS HIS POLITICAL CARICATURES, WHICH, WITH THOMAS NAST'S STINGING CARTOONS, LED THE UNSUCCESSFUL ATTEMPT TO PASS AN "ANTI-CARTOON" LAW IN NEW YORK IN 1897.

MAR 9



THIS DAY MARKS THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE FIRST UNITED STATES POST OFFICE ON THE PACIFIC COAST AT ASTORIA IN 1847. THIRTY YEARS LATER ON JULY 7, THE WEEKLY ASTORIAN REPORTED THAT THE OFFICE WAS ENLARGED AND PROVIDED WITH "AN INCREASE OF LOCK BOXES, WITH SEPARATE DELIVERY WINDOWS FOR THE LADIES."

MAR 10



THE WILLAMETTE VALLEY AND CASCADE MOUNTAIN WAGON ROAD WAS INCORPORATED THIS DAY IN 1864. THE ROUTE THROUGH THE CASCADES EAST OF SWEET HOME WAS DISCOVERED BY ANDREW WILEY, WHO WITH FRIENDS DECIDED TO PREPARE THE TRAIL FOR PUBLIC USE. IN FEB. 1860, THEY PUBLISHED THE FOLLOWING: "IF THE PEOPLE DO NOT AIDE US IN THE WORK, AND THUS MAKE IT A FREE ROAD, WE WILL GO ON AND OPEN IT OURSELVES AND CLAIM A CHARTER TO THE EXCLUSIVE RIGHT OF THE ROAD." IN 1866 THE COMPANY WAS GRANTED THE RIGHT TO CHARGE TOLL AND IN 1868 THE ROAD WAS COMPLETED.

MAR 11



PORTLAND INVENTOR, ELIJAH MORTON, UNVEILED HIS "ALLEGED FLYING MACHINE" TO THE PRESS ON THIS DAY IN 1889. THE INVENTOR SPENT SEVEN YEARS PERFECTING HIS MODEL, AND IN HIS OWN WORDS, "I HAVE DRAWN MY IDEAS FROM FLIGHT OF BIRDS, FROM THE FLYING OF A KITE, FROM THE FIRST AND TENTH CHAPTERS OF THE BOOK OF EZEKIEL AND FROM ALL OTHER SOURCES THROWING LIGHT ON THE SUBJECT OF AERIAL NAVIGATION."

MAR 12



THE COMPLETION OF THE TELEGRAPH IN PORTLAND WAS CELEBRATED THIS DAY IN 1864 WITH A BIG PARADE. CITIZENS CONTRIBUTED \$225 TO THE "TELEGRAPH CELEBRATION FUND." EXPENSES, HOWEVER, AMOUNTED TO ONLY \$175, SO THE COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE EVENT HANDED THE UNEXPECTED BALANCE OF \$50 OVER TO BE FORWARDED TO THE MILITARY COMMISSION.

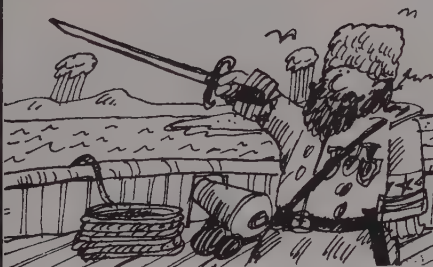
MAR 13



"MR. WHITWORTH INFORMS US, SAYS THE UNIONIST, THAT TWO PARTS OF A SKELETON OF THE EXTINCT CLASS OF ANIMALS THAT ONCE RANGED OVER THE CONTINENT OF AMERICA, KNOWN TO NATURALISTS AS MASTODON, WERE FOUND LAST WEEK AT OR NEAR CHAMPOEG, ON THE WALLAMET RIVER. ONE SPECIMEN WAS A PART OF THE SCAPULA, OR SHOULDER BLADE, AND THE OTHER ONE WAS ONE OF THE Molar TEETH."

OREGONIAN
MARCH 13, 1869

MAR 14



AS LEWIS AND CLARK WERE MAKING THEIR PREPARATIONS TO RETURN EAST (MAR. 23) THE BOSTON BRIG JUNO, RECENTLY PURCHASED BY THE RUSSIANS, WAS TRYING TO ENTER THE COLUMBIA WITH THE RUSSIAN IMPERIAL INSPECTOR OF ALASKA ABOARD ON THIS DAY IN 1806. "WE WILL FOUND A SETTLEMENT," HE SAID, "AND DRIVE THOSE BOSTONIANS FROM THE TRADE FOREVER... THEN IN THE COURSE OF TEN YEARS WE SHOULD BE STRONG ENOUGH TO MAKE USE OF ANY FAVORABLE TURN IN EUROPEAN POLITICS TO INCLUDE THE COAST IN THE RUSSIAN POSSESSIONS." HE SIGHTED THE COLUMBIA BUT THE CURRENT DROVE HIM BACK AND AFTER SEVERAL MORE ATTEMPTS, HE GAVE UP.

MAR 15



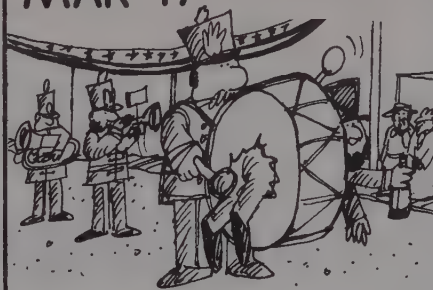
THE BROTHER JOHNATHON, A PIONEER STEAMBOAT OPERATING BETWEEN PORTLAND AND SAN FRANCISCO, ARRIVED IN PORTLAND THIS MORNING IN 1859 WITH THE FIRST NEWS OF OREGON'S ADMISSION TO THE UNION. THE BILL HAD BEEN PASSED BY BOTH SENATE AND THE HOUSE AND ONLY PRESIDENT BUCHANAN'S SIGNATURE WAS NEEDED.

MAR 16



ON MARCH 16, 1903 THE CITY ENGINEER OF PORTLAND EXPRESSED HIS OPINION THAT THE CITY WOULD REQUIRE THREE ADDITIONAL SPRINKLING WAGONS DURING THE COMING SUMMER TO KEEP THE STREETS FROM DRYING UP AND BLOWING AWAY.

MAR 17



HENRY CLAY HUSTON WROTE IN HIS DIARY THAT ON THIS DAY IN 1859 WHEN THE NEWS OF OREGON BEING ADMITTED TO THE UNION REACHED CORVALLIS AT 10 O'CLOCK P.M..." THE 'BRASS BAND' PLAYED HAIL COLUMBIA, YANKEE DOODLE, A QUANTITY OF POWDER AND WHISKEY WAS CONSUMED ON THE OCCASSION."

MAR 18



JOHN WHITEAKER, REPRESENTATIVE OF OREGON TO CONGRESS, ARRIVED IN WASHINGTON, D.C. THIS DAY IN 1879 AFTER A SPECTACULAR TRIP BY RAIL ACROSS THE CONTINENT. LEAVING OAKLAND ON A SPECIAL TRAIN PROVIDED BY THE DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE, AT NOON, MARCH 12, HE REACHED THE CAPITOL AT 10 A.M. THIS DAY, ENDING A RIDE THAT AVERAGED THE EXTRAORDINARY SPEED OF 40 MPH OVER LONG STRETCHES. HIS ARRIVAL AND VOTE ASSURED THE ELECTION OF A DEMOCRATIC SPEAKER TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

MAR 19



THE AMERICAN ELK, OR WAPATI, AS THE INDIANS CALLED IT, WAS AT ONE TIME THE WIDEST RANGING HOOFED ANIMAL IN NORTH AMERICA. BUT NO ELK WERE LEFT IN OREGON WHEN THE STATE GAME AND FISH COMMISSION ESTABLISHED AN ELK REFUGE IN THE WALLOWA COUNTY IN 1911. ON THIS DAY IN 1912, FIFTEEN OF THE ANIMALS ARRIVED AT THE RESERVE FROM JACKSON HOLE, WYOMING AFTER A DIFFICULT JOURNEY THROUGH DEEP SNOW OVER THE TETON PASS. SEVERAL DIED BUT SINCE THEN THEY HAVE MULTIPLIED AND NUMBER SEVERAL THOUSAND.

MAR 20



•THE DOCTOR KNOWS - NOTE WHAT YOUR DOCTOR DRINKS. YOU WILL FIND IT GENERALLY A BEER, AND A BOTTLED BEER. AND THE LABEL IS USUALLY A SCHLITZ. HE IS A MAN WHO KNOWS. HE KNOWS THAT BEER IS HEALTHFUL, AND EVERY DAY HE PRESCRIBES IT. THE HOPS ARE A TONIC, THE BARLEY IS FOOD. THE TRIFLE OF ALCOHOL IS AID TO DIGESTION. THAT IS WHY HE DRINKS BEER. BUT HE KNOWS THAT BEER MUST BE PURE, ELSE THERE ARE GERMS IN IT. AND HE KNOWS THAT THE BEER MUST BE AGED, ELSE BILIOUSNESS COMES FROM IT. THAT IS WHY HE DRINKS SCHLITZ..."

ADVERTISEMENT, OREGONIAN
MARCH 20, 1908

MAR 21



THE SEVERE WINTER OF 1868 PROMPTED H.C. HUSTON TO REJOICE ON THIS DAY BECAUSE THE MORNING WAS "WARM AND RAINY, AS FAR AS STOCK ARE CONCERNED THE SNOW IS OUT OF THE WAY AFTER COVERING THE FALL OF THE EARTH FOR 47 DAYS. THE SNOW IS NOT GONE - BUT IS GOING!"

MAR 22



"FIRST MEETING OF PORTLAND WASHINGTONIAN TOTAL ABSTINENCE SOCIETY: TO INDUCE ALL CLASSES AND CONDITIONS OF OUR CITIZENS AND OTHERS TO REFRAIN FROM THE USE OF INTOXICATING DRINKS AS A BEVERAGE."

OREGONIAN
MARCH 22, 1851

MAR 23



"WE LOADED OUR CANOES AND AT 1 PM. LEFT FORT CLATSOP ON OUR HOMEWARD BOUND JOURNEY. AT THIS PLACE WE HAD WINTERED AND REMAINED FROM THE 7th OF DECEMBER 1805 TO THIS DAY AND HAVE LIVED AS WELL AS WE HAD ANY RIGHT TO EXPECT, AND WE CAN SAY THAT WE WERE NEVER ONE DAY WITHOUT 3 MEALS OF SOME KIND A DAY, EITHER PORE ELK MEAT OR ROOTS, NOTWITHSTANDING THE REPEATED FALLS OF RAIN WHICH HAS FALLEN ALMOST CONSTANTLY..."

JOURNAL OF LEWIS & CLARK
MARCH 23, 1806

MAR 24



SALOONS IN PORTLAND THIS DAY IN 1874 WERE INVADED BY WOMEN CRUSADERS AS AS THE WOMEN'S TEMPERANCE PRAYER LEAQUE BEGAN ITS ASSAULT WITH HYMN AND PRAYER ON THE CITY'S WHISKEY MILLS. SERVICES WERE HELD AT TOM SHARTLES AND AT THE EVENING CALL WITHOUT ANY UNTDWARD INCIDENT. AS THE LADIES MARCHED FROM PLACE TO PLACE, A CROWD OF MEN, BOYS AND DOGS GATHERED TO FOLLOW THEM.

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A cartoon by Dave Coverly. On the left, a security guard in a uniform and suspenders points a handgun at a couple dancing on the right. A sign on the wall behind the guard reads "NO IMPROPER DANCING ALLOWED". The couple is in a close embrace, and the man is looking back at the guard. The drawing is done in a simple, sketchy style with cross-hatching for shading.

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MAR 28



A FIRE HYDRANT, THE FIRST IN PORTLAND, WAS INSTALLED ON MARCH 28, 1864 AT THE CORNER OF WASHINGTON AND FIRST STREETS. THE OREGONIAN, COMMENTING UPON THE EVENT SAID, "...AS THEY, (THE HYDRANTS) ARE OF THE METROPOLITAN ORDER, WE EXPECT THEIR ADOPTION GENERALLY ON MOST OF THE STREET CORNERS. WHERE WATER IS PLENTYFUL THEY ARE USED FOR FIRE PLUGS AND FILLING STREET SPRINKLERS."

MAR 29



A DAM ACROSS ROARING RIVER IN THE EASTERN PART OF LINN COUNTY AND AT THE LOCATION OF W.T. LAKWOOD'S MILL WAS DESTROYED BY DYNAMITE THIS DAY IN 1906. THIS EXTREME ACT MARKED THE BEGINNING OF HOSTILITIES IN A STRUGGLE FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY OVER THE STREAM FOR LOGGING, LUMBERING AND MILLING PURPOSES, AND WAS THE "FIRST INDICATION OUTSIDERS HAVE RECEIVED OF THE EXTENT AND WARMTH OF FEELING WHICH EXISTS AMONG RESIDENTS OF THE AREA."

MAR 30



ON MARCH 30, 1806, MT. JEFFERSON WAS FIRST SIGHTED BY LEWIS AND CLARK FROM A POINT NEAR THE MOUTH OF THE WILLAMETTE RIVER. THEY NAMED IT IN HONOR OF PRESIDENT JEFFERSON. DAVID DOUGLAS SUBSEQUENTLY USED THE NAME IN HIS JOURNALS OF 1826. SECOND HIGHEST PEAK IN THE CASCADE RANGE, IT TOWERS TO AN ALTITUDE OF 10,495 FEET.

MAR 31



ON THIS DAY IN 1910 THE GREATEST RE-
VIVAL IN COOS COUNTY'S HISTORY HAD
JUST COME TO A CLOSE AT THE TOWN OF
MARSH FIELD. FOR SIX WEEKS THE BIG
TABERNACLE, SEATING 2,000 PEOPLE
WAS THROGGED WITH WORSHIPPERS
FROM ALL OVER THE COUNTRY. TEN HUN-
DRED AND THIRTY FIVE WERE CONVERT-
ED, 710 OF THESE FROM MARSHFIELD.
POLICE, DOCTORS, BARTENDERS AND
SOME LAWYERS WERE AMONG THE
CONVERTS. A FREE-WILL OFFERING
WAS GIVEN EVANGELIST DAN SHANNON
AND HE SAID HE WOULD RETURN IN
THE FALL.

APR 1



FOR THE PAST 150 YEARS THIS DAY IN
OREGON HAS BEEN CLEAR, SUNNY AND
WARM WITH AVERAGE MEAN TEMPERA-
TURE IN THE HIGH EIGHTIES. FLOWERS
HAVE BLOOMED, BIRDS HAVE SUNG AND
EVERYONE HAS BEEN AS HAPPY AS A
JUG ON A SOGGY DAY.

APR 2



"A FEW MONTHS AGO WE PUBLISHED
AN ITEM SAYING THAT A SWEET HOME
BOY DURING A CHURCH SERVICE IN
THAT PLACE TOOK A CHAW OF TOBACCO
OUT OF HIS MOUTH AND THREW IT AT
THE PREACHER. A RELATIVE OF THE BOY
NOW INFORMS US THAT THIS WAS NOT
TRUE--THAT HE DID NOT THROW ANY
TOBACCO AT THE PREACHER, AND ASKS
US TO MAKE THE CORRECTION, WHICH,
OF COURSE, WE CHEERFULLY DO."

LEBANON EXPRESS-ADVANCE
APRIL 2, 1901

APR 3



JOHNATHON CARVER, A MILITARY MAN AND TRAVELER IS CREDITED WITH BEING THE FIRST PERSON TO INTRODUCE THE NAME "OREGON" TO THE WORLD IN HIS TRAVEL BOOK: TRAVELS THROUGH THE INTERIOR PARTS OF AMERICA, PUBLISHED IN 1778. CARVER WAS BORN ON THIS DAY IN 1710 IN NEW YORK STATE. IN HIS WORK HE REPORTED OF A GREAT RIVER WHICH ROSE FAR TO THE WEST AND WAS CALLED BY THE INDIANS IN THE REGION "THE OREGON." ALTHOUGH CARTER NEVER SIGHTED THE RIVER, HIS WRITING ABOUT IT STIMULATED GREAT INTEREST IN EXPLORING WESTERN AMERICA.

APR 4



THE VESSEL, BEAVER, WAS THE FIRST STEAMSHIP TO REACH THE PACIFIC OCEAN. ON THIS DAY IN 1836, SHE STEAMED INTO FORT GEORGE, FORMERLY ASTORIA, AFTER A VOYAGE OF 163 DAYS AROUND THE HORN FROM ENGLAND WHERE SHE WAS BUILT IN 1835. ON THIS RUN SHE USED LITTLE STEAM AND SAILED MOSTLY UNDER CANVAS AS A BRIG. AFTER SEVERAL YEARS OF SERVICE WITH THE HUDSON'S BAY TRADING FLEET, SHE WAS LATER WRECKED AT THE VANCOUVER HARBOR ENTRANCE IN JULY, 1881.

APR 5



DAILY MAIL SERVICE OF SEVEN DAYS EN ROUTE FROM SACRAMENTO TO PORTLAND WAS ESTABLISHED APRIL 5, 1861 AND THE MORNING OREGONIAN PUBLISHED THE FOLLOWING ITEM: "WHILE YOU ARE SNUGLY ENSCONCED IN BED THERE A DOZEN MEN DRIVING AS MANY FOUR HORSE TEAMS ON THE ROAD FROM SACRAMENTO TO PORTLAND. IN THE DREARY WATCHES OF THE NIGHT THEY ARE COMING AND GOING. NO MUDHOLES DAMP THEIR ARDOR; THE TURBULENT RIVERS, AS THEY DO RUSH TO THE SEA, DO NOT BAR THEIR PROGRESS. THE MAIL MUST COME THROUGH- MUST COME IN SEVEN DAYS, RAIN OR SHINE."

APR 6



ONE HUNDRED STOCKMEN FROM EASTERN OREGON AND WESTERN IDAHO, ON THIS DAY IN 1935, HEARD SPEAKERS SET FORTH THE FINANCIAL CRISIS FACING BORROWERS FROM THE REGIONAL AGRICULTURAL CREDIT CORPORATION, IN THE PROCESS OF LIQUIDATING, AND VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO PRESENT REQUESTS FOR ITS CONTINUED EXISTENCE.

APR 7



"THE OAKVILLE INDEPENDENT TELEPHONE COMPLETED THEIR LINE ON THE EVENING OF THE 22ND AND ON THE 23RD (MARCH) ELEVEN PHONES COMMENCED RINGING AND FOR 16 HOURS EVERYONE TRIED TO TALK AND WHAT OTHERS WAS SAYING AT THE SAME TIME, BUT AFTER THREE DAYS ALL BECAME RECONCILED AND NOW THEY ONLY ANSWER THEIR OWN RINGS UNLESS THE COMPANY RING IS SOUNDED AND THAT MEANS ALL RECEIVERS DOWN WHILE SOMEONE PLAYS A PIECE ON THE VIOLIN OR ORGAN. WE ALL SAY: 'HURRAH FOR THE INDEPENDENT TELEPHONE.'"

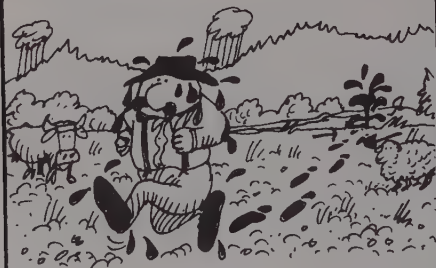
ALBANY DEMOCRAT
APRIL 7, 1904

APR 8



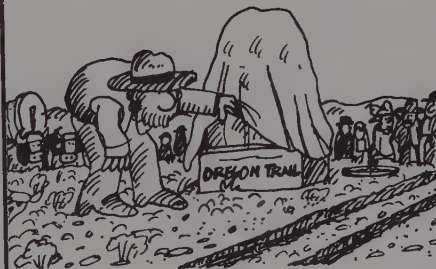
THE FIRST GOLDEN RULE STORE FEATURING GASLIGHTS OFFICIALLY OPENED FOR BUSINESS IN GRANTS PASS ON THIS DAY IN 1905. MEASURING 25'X 100', THE STORE CARRIED "EVERYTHING TO WEAR FOR EVERY MEMBER OF THE FAMILY." FOUNDERS OF THE STORE WERE F.S. JONES AND FRANK T. WASHBURN, BOTH FROM MISSOURI AND LONG-TIME CLOSE FRIENDS WITH J.C. PENNY, ALSO A MISSOURIAN. THE STORE MOVED ACROSS THE STREET INTO THE OLD CITY HALL AND LATER OCCUPIED A NEW BUILDING ON 6TH AND 'H' STREETS.

APR 9



ON THIS DAY IN 1901 OIL WAS STRUCK ON A FARM NEAR TROUTDALE. NEWSPAPERS REPORTED "...IT IS NOT FOUND, AS YET, IN PAYING QUANTITIES, BUT IT IS OF SUCH A NATURE AS TO JUSTIFY HOPES THE DEEPER DRILLING WILL RESULT IN A DISCOVERY OF COMMERCIAL SIGNIFICANCE. THE RESULTS HAVE BEEN SO SATISFACTORY THAT THE COMPANY HAS BEEN SELLING SHARES OF STOCK AT FROM \$1.00 TO \$100.00 A SHARE, AND THE PUBLIC IS WATCHING MATTERS WITH INCREASING INTEREST."

APR 10



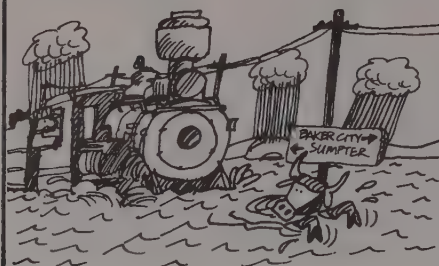
THE UNVEILING OF THE MONUMENT WHICH WAS PLACED TO MARK THE SPOT WHERE THE OREGON TRAIL PASSED OVER THE HILL NEAR THE PRESENT-DAY LA GRANDE TOOK PLACE THIS DAY IN 1906. ACCORDING TO THE MORNING OREGONIAN, "THE PROCESSION STARTED AT 2 O'CLOCK FROM EZRA MEEKER'S CAMP, AND WAS HEADED BY MR. MEEKER'S OX TEAM. IN FRONT OF THE HIGH SCHOOL IT WAS JOINED BY THE SCHOOL CHILDREN, MAKING A LINE WHICH REACHED FULLY HALF A MILE."

APR 11



THE OPENING OF COUNTRY ROADS WAS THE OCCASION FOR THE FOLLOWING PERSONAL COMMENT BY THE EDITOR OF THE WEEKLY ASTORIAN IN THE APRIL 11, 1879, ISSUE. PREVIOUS INTER-CITY TRANSPORTATION WAS BY WATER. *IT LOOKS GOOD TO SEE A WAGON AND TEAM ON THE STREETS OF ASTORIA FROM THE COUNTRY. SUCH SCENES HAVE NEVER UNTIL THE LAST FEW MONTHS BEEN WITNESSED. NOW ANDREW JACKSON DONALDSON DRIVES TO THE CITY OCCASIONALLY WITH THE AIR OF A CAPITALIST FROM BERGMAN AND BERRY'S HEADQUARTERS NEAR TONGUE POINT."

APR 12



NEWSPAPERS, ON THIS DAY IN 1904, CARRIED ACCOUNTS OF THE FLOOD RAGING IN THE SUMPTER VALLEY AND THE LOWER POWDER RIVER COUNTRY OF EASTERN OREGON. FOR THE PREVIOUS TEN DAYS THE SUN HAD BEEN SHINING BRIGHTLY, RAPIDLY MELTING THE SNOW THAT HAD BLANKETED THE HIGHLANDS. "A CONSIDERABLE PORTION OF THE SUMPTER VALLEY RAILROAD IS UNDER WATER BETWEEN SUMPTER AND BAKER CITY AND IT IS FEARED THAT THE LOSS OF PROPERTY AND GOODS WILL BE HIGH WHEN THE FLOOD REACHES ITS CREST."

APR 13



"A BOY INVENTOR HAS SPRUNG UP IN COTTAGE GROVE WHO BIDS FAIR SOME DAY TO RANK WITH THE GREAT INVENTORS OF THE WORLD. THIS BOY IS RAY E. NELSON, THE SON OF ANDREW NELSON, AN ELECTRICIAN. RAY IS ONLY 9 YEARS OLD AND HE HAS SHOWN SUCH MARKED ABILITY IN THE ELECTRICAL FIELD THAT EVEN HIS FATHER, WHO HAS MADE ELECTRICITY A LIFE STUDY, IS ASTONISHED AT THE WONDERFUL CONCEPTIONS OF HIS BOY."

THE MORNING OREGONIAN
APRIL 13, 1906

APR 14



IN 1903 IT WAS REPORTED ON THIS DAY THAT A NEW ENTERPRISE WAS WAKING TO LIFE IN ECHO, THE BOOMING LITTLE TOWN 31 MILES BELOW PENDLETON. "HERE WHAT PROMISES TO DEVELOP INTO ONE OF THE BIGGEST ESTABLISHMENTS OF THE STATE IS BEING STARTED. THE DERIDED IDEA OF A JACK RABBIT CANNERY HAS ACTUALLY MATERIALIZED AND THE ENTERPRISE IS NOW FAIRLY UNDER WAY. THE AMERICAN HARE PACKING AND COLD STORAGE COMPANY HAS BEEN ORGANIZED TO DEVELOP THE INDUSTRY."

APR 15



"SAW A MAN TODAY WHO SAID HE OWNED SEVEN SLAVES OF A GOOD STOCK - HE HAD RAISED THEM HIMSELF AND TWO OF THEM WERE WORTH ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS APIECE; BUT HE HAD NOT GOT ENOUGH WORK OUT OF THEM YET, AND IN A FEW YEARS THEY WOULD BE WORTH MORE. MAY NONE OF US EVER BE GUILTY OF BUYING AND SELLING THE SOULS AND BODIES OF OUR FELLOW CREATURES. SLAVERY IS A WITHERING BLIGHT UPON THE PROSPECTS, HAPPINESS, AND FREEDOM OF OUR NATION."

ABIGAIL SCOTT DUNNWAY
APRIL 15, 1852

APR 16



"HAVING CONCLUDED, FROM THE BEST INFORMATION I WAS ABLE TO OBTAIN, THAT THE OREGON TERRITORY OFFERS GREAT INDUCEMENTS TO EMIGRANTS, I DETERMINED TO VISIT IT WITH A VIEW TO SATISFYING MYSELF IN REGARD TO IT, AND OF ASCERTAINING BY PERSONAL OBSERVATION WHETHER ITS ADVANTAGES WERE SUFFICIENT TO WARRENT ME IN THE EFFORT TO MAKE IT MY FUTURE HOME. I STARTED, ACCORDINGLY, ON THE MORNING OF THE 16th OF APRIL, 1845...."

JOEL PALMER'S JOURNAL

APR 17



DR. WILLIAM HOLDEN WILLSON PASSED AWAY ON THIS DAY IN 1856. DR. WILLSON ARRIVED IN OREGON ON THE BRIG DIANA IN 1837 AND BEGAN PRACTICING MEDICINE AND CARPENTRY AT THE WILLAMETTE MISSIONS. BORN IN NEW HAMPSHIRE, HE HAD EARLIER FOLLOWED THE TRADES OF COOPER, WHALER AND SHIP CARPENTER. AT CHAMPOEG IN 1843 HE WAS CHOSEN TREASURER OF THE PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT AND THREE YEARS LATER PLOTTED AND NAMED SALEM. A PARK TRACT WHICH HE DONATED TO THE CITY STILL BEARS HIS NAME.

APR 18



THE FOLLOWING ADVERTISEMENT AP-
PEARED IN THE OREGON STATESMAN,
APRIL 18, 1861:

WANTED

1,000 DOZEN EGGS
100 DOZEN CHICKENS
500 CATS IN GOOD CONDITION,

FOR WHICH THE HIGHEST MARKET PRICE
WILL BE PAID IN GOODS, IF DELIVERED BY
THE 10th OF MAY, NOT LESS THAN TEN
CATS TAKEN FROM ANY ONE PERSON.

DEMENT WINSTON
OREGON CITY, APRIL 17, 1861

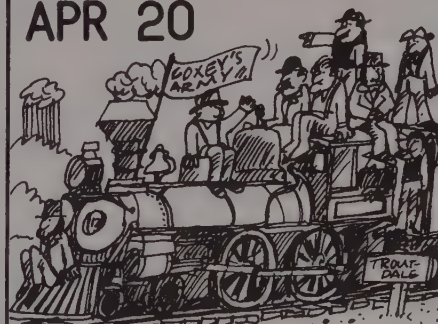
APR 19



"THE CITY COUNCIL HAS BEEN DULY ORGAN-
IZED, BUT WHAT PROGRESS HAS BEEN
MADE BY WAY OF CREATING ORDINANCES,
WE ARE NOT INFORMED. IT IS TO BE HOPED,
HOWEVER, THAT SOMETHING WILL BE
SPEEDILY DONE, TO PROTECT THE PERSONS
AND PROPERTY OF OUR CITIZENS FROM
LAWLESS VIOLATION, AT THE HANDS OF
DESPERADOES, WHO CAME HERE TO
GAMBLE, CHEAT, ROB AND STEAL, AND
MURDER IF IT SUITS THEIR FANCY,
OR SUBSERVES THEIR INTERESTS."

OREGONIAN
APRIL 19, 1861

APR 20



DURING THE 1890'S A NATIONAL ARMY OF
HUNGRY MEN CALLING ITSELF "COKEY'S
ARMY" HAD A STRONG FOLLOWING ON THE
PACIFIC COAST. ON APRIL 20, 1894, AN ORE-
GON CONTINGENT, THE "FIFTH REGIMENT OF
THE INDUSTRIAL ARMY" CONSISTING OF
439 MEN ASSEMBLED AT PORTLAND. AFTER
SEVERAL DAYS OF DRILLING AND EN-
CAMPMENT, THE GROUP BEGAN MARCHING
EASTWARD. A RAILROAD TRAIN WAS
COMMANDEERED BY THE TROOPS AT TROUT-
DALE. HEADED FOR WASHINGTON, D.C.,
THEY GOT ONLY AS FAR AS ARLINGTON
WHERE U.S. CALVARY TROOPS STOPPED
THE "ARMY" AND SENT THEM BACK TO
PORTLAND.

APR 21



IN 1899 TRAFFIC WAS TIED UP AT THIRD AND MORRISON STREETS IN DOWNTOWN PORTLAND ON THIS DAY. THE BLOCKAGE WAS THE RESULT OF A LARGE THROG OF PEOPLE GATHERED TO WATCH A COCK FIGHT.

APR 22



IN OREGON'S EARLIER DAYS, THE BEAVER WERE NUMEROUS. THIS FACT ATTESTED TO BY AN ENTRY IN THE DIARY OF PETER SKENE OGDEN, EARLY EXPLORER OF THE OREGON COUNTRY ON SUNDAY, APRIL 27, 1827. IN IT, HE RECORDS THAT MCKAY HAD TAKEN 735 BEAVER AND OTHER SKINS ON TWO SMALL STREAMS DISCHARGING INTO CLAMMITTEE (KIAMATH) RIVER IN ABOUT THREE WEEKS. WHICH, AS LEWIS MARTHUR IN OREGON GEOGRAPHIC NAMES SAYS, IS ONE REASON WHY WE NOW HAVE SO MANY BEAVER CREEKS IN OREGON AND SO FEW BEAVER.

APR 23



THE PORTLAND CRICKET CLUB PLAYED THEIR OPENING MATCH OF THE SEASON THIS DAY IN 1878 AT THEIR GROUND IN SOUTH PORTLAND. A SCRATCH TEAM CAPTAINED BY MR. GILMAN DEFEATED ANOTHER LED BY MR. CREIGHTON. BY 58 RUNS TO 56, FOUR NOT OUT IN THE SECOND INNINGS. THE BOWLING OF MR. GILMAN WAS ESPECIALLY EFFECTIVE.

APR 24



MRS. JANE BARNES, THE FIRST WHITE WOMAN TO SET FOOT ON OREGON SOIL, ARRIVED AT ASTORIA THIS DAY IN 1813, ABOARD THE ISAAC TODD. SHE HAD BEEN A BARMAID IN PORTSMOUTH, ENGLAND AND ACCOMPANIED CHIEF FACTOR DONALD McTAVISH OF THE NORTHWEST COMPANY AS HIS MISTRESS. MRS. BARNES WAS DESCRIBED AS HAVING FAIR COMPLEXION WITH FLAXEN HAIR AND BLUE EYES - AND WITH A MANNER LIKE HER FIGURE - BOLD AND ENGAGING. HER ARRIVAL TO ASTORIA WAS GREETED WITH ENTHUSIASM BY THE ENTIRE TOWN.

APR 25



"REACHED THE HEAD OF THE DALLES... SHORTLY BEFORE NOON. THIS PLACE DESERVES ITS NAME (DALLES DE MORTE) FROM A MELANCHOLY CIRCUMSTANCE WHICH OCCURRED A FEW YEARS AGO TO A PARTY OF MEN WHO WERE ASCENDING AS WE ARE NOW. THEY HAD THE MISFORTUNE TO HAVE THEIR CRAFT DASHED TO PIECES... WHEN BY A SUPERNATURAL EXERTION ALL ESCAPED TO SHORE... WITHOUT FOOD... WITHOUT ARMS... STRIPPED AND 300 MILES FROM ANY ASSISTANCE... TWO AGREED TO MAKE (AN ATTEMPT)... TO REACH SPOKANE... WHICH THEY DID, (OF) THE REMAINING SIX.. ALL DIED EXCEPT FOR ONE, WHO IT IS SUPPOSED, ON GOOD FOUNDATION, SUPPORTED HIS DREADFUL EXISTENCE ON A FORBIDDEN FARE."

DAVID DOUGLAS' JOURNAL
APRIL 25, 1827

APR 26



DESPITE THE VIGOROUS OPPOSITION OF A NUMBER OF PROMINENT CITIZENS AND THE OREGONIAN, OREGON'S FIRST PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL WITH J.W. JOHNSON AS PRINCIPAL AND MISS M.N. TOWER AS ASSISTANT, OPENED AT PORTLAND THIS DAY IN 1869. CLASSES WERE CONDUCTED ON THE SECOND FLOOR NORTH SCHOOL.

APR 27



STUDENT BODY REPRESENTATIVES FROM OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE AND THE UNIVERSITY OF OREGON MET THIS DAY IN 1912 ON "NEUTRAL GROUND" IN ALBANY. THE MEETING RESULTED IN THE RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF AMICABLE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO SCHOOLS AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR CONTESTS IN ALL BRANCHES OF STUDENT ACTIVITIES, SPORTS INCLUDED.

APR 28



ON THIS DAY IN 1938, A W.P.A. CREW, WORKING ON THE REPAIR OF SEWERS IN DOWNTOWN PORTLAND, DISCOVERED A WHEELBARROW IN A THREE FOOT DRAIN. IT HAD BEEN LEFT THERE SINCE 1920.

APR 29



THE REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION, ON THIS DAY IN 1886, PASSED A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A WAGON ROAD BEGINNING AT SOME POINT ON THE OREGON AND CALIFORNIA RAILROAD THAT WOULD CONNECT THE WILLAMETTE VALLEY WITH KLAMATH AND LAKE COUNTIES IN SOUTHERN OREGON.

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MAY 3



ON MAY 3, 1904, GROUND-BREAKING CEREMONIES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE LEWIS AND CLARK EXPOSITION IN PORTLAND WERE HELD. 23 BUILDINGS WERE THEN ERECTED—3 FOR THE U.S. GOVERNMENT, 13 FOR THE STATE OF OREGON AND 7 FOR THE USE OF OTHER STATES. 16 FOREIGN COUNTRIES AND 17 STATES PARTICIPATED IN THE EXPOSITION WHICH FORMALLY OPENED JUNE 1, 1905. IT PROVED TO BE THE FIRST NATIONAL EXPOSITION IN THE U.S. TO BE FINANCIALLY SUCCESSFUL WITH OVER 3 MILLION PAID ADMISSIONS TO THE GROUNDS DURING THE FOUR AND A HALF MONTHS IT WAS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

MAY 4



PRESIDENT HARRISON'S PARTY CROSSED THE STATE LINE AND REACHED ASHLAND THIS EVENING IN 1891 AND WAS GREETED BY A CHEERING CROWD OF 2,000 PERSONS. GUNS WERE FIRED AND THE ASHLAND BAND STRUCK UP "HAIL COLUMBIA." A DRIZZLING RAIN WAS FALLING AND IT WAS VERY SLOPPY AND DARK. SENATOR SIMON, PRESIDENT OF THE STATE SENATE, DELIVERED THE ADDRESS OF WELCOME AS GOVERNOR PENNOYER REFUSED TO LEAVE THE CAPITOL TO GREET THE PRESIDENT.

MAY 5



TWO HIGHWAYMEN HELD UP THE COOS BAY STAGE NEAR THE TOP OF HOOVER HILL IN 1903 AND SUCCEEDED IN SECURING \$160 OF THE PASSENGERS' MONEY AND THE DRIVER'S PISTOL. IT WAS THE FIFTH TIME THE STAGE HAD BEEN HELD UP AT HOOVER HILL IN EIGHT YEARS.

MAY 6



ONE OF THE MOST POPULAR AND ENTERTAINING MOUNTAIN MEN IN THE EARLY WEST WAS A KENTUCKY-BORN BLACK MAN NAMED MOSES "BLACK" HARRIS. BESIDES DELIGHTING SETTLERS TO OREGON WITH HIS TALL TALES, HE WAS ALSO AN EXPERT GUIDE. AFTER LEADING THE NATHANIEL PORD PARTY TO OREGON IN 1844, HE SCOUTED TRAILS THROUGH THE CASCADES AND LATER BUILT A CABIN ON THE LUKIAMUTE RIVER WHERE HE LIVED UNTIL 1847 WHEN HE RETURNED EAST. ON MAY 6, 1849, HE DIED OF CHOLERA AT INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI.

MAY 7



THE WORLD'S RECORD FOR THE 50-YARD LOW HURDLES WAS LOWERED THIS NIGHT IN 1909 WHEN PORTLAND'S FORREST SMITHSON, THE OLYMPIC CHAMPION HURDLER, RAN A TIME OF FIVE AND FOUR-FIFTHS SECONDS. AS REPORTED IN THE OREGONIAN, "THIS CLEVER PERFORMER, A PORTLAND BOY BORN AND REARED, IS OUT TO WIN THE AMERICAN RECORD FOR THE 120 YARD HURDLES THIS SUMMER. HE ALREADY HOLDS THE WORLD'S RECORD FOR 110 METERS, WHICH HE MADE AT LONDON LAST JULY..."

MAY 8



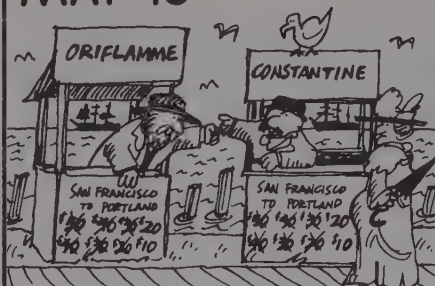
ACCORDING TO A TELEGRAM RECEIVED THIS DAY, 1919, FROM SENATORS CHAMBERLAIN AND MENARY, THE BATTLESHIP OREGON WILL BE TURNED OVER TO THE STATE UPON OFFICIAL APPLICATION FROM STATE AUTHORITIES. THE STATE WILL ALSO HAVE TO GIVE ASSURANCES THAT IT WILL BEAR THE EXPENSE OF MAINTAINING THE VESSEL.

MAY 9



PRESIDENT BENJAMIN HARRISON'S TRAIN VISIT TO OREGON INCLUDED A SCHEDULED 15 MINUTE STOP IN EUGENE ON THIS DAY IN 1891. THE OREGON STATE JOURNAL COVERED THE 6:30 A.M. STOP: "ACCORDINGLY THE FIRE BELL HAD BEEN SOUNDED AT 5 A.M. AND THE GRAND ARMY AND THE EUGENE MILITIA AND 2,000 OR 3,000 CITIZENS WERE AT THE DEPOT WHEN THE TRAINS ARRIVED, NOTWITHSTANDING THE FACT THAT A DRENCHING RAIN WAS FALLING. THE BAND PLAYED, THE BOYS CHEERED...AND EVERYTHING WAS IN READINESS FOR A BIG DISPLAY BUT, LO AND BEHOLD, AFTER WAITING 15 MINUTES IN THE RAIN,....THE MANAGER OF THE TRAIN ORDERED THEM TO PULL OUT, SAYING THE PRESIDENT WAS NOT YET UP AND AND WOULD NOT COME OUT."

MAY 10



"OCEAN FARE REDUCED THE FARE FROM SAN FRANCISCO TO PORTLAND BY THE ORIFLAMME WAS \$20 IN CABIN AND \$10 IN STEERAGE, AND WE ARE INFORMED THE OPPOSITION CHARGED THE SAME PRICES FOR PASSAGE BY THE CONSTANTINE. THE PRESENT PROSPECT IS THAT FARES WILL REMAIN AT ABOUT THOSE FIGURES, THOUGH THE HEAT OF RIVALRY MAY MELT THEM DOWN SOMEWHAT, AFTER A WHILE."

OREGONIAN
MAY 10, 1891

MAY 11



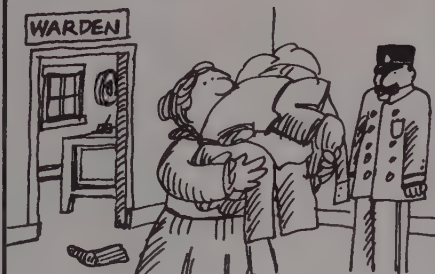
IN THE EMPLOY OF A FIRM OF BOSTON TRADERS, CAPTAIN ROBERT GRAY RETURNED TO THE PACIFIC COAST IN 1792. DETERMINED TO MAKE IMPORTANT DISCOVERIES THAT ELUDED HIM ON AN EARLIER VOYAGE, HE CRUISED UP AND DOWN THE OREGON COAST LOOKING INTENTLY FOR ANY SIGN OF A LARGE RIVER EMPTYING INTO THE SEA. INLETS AND MUDDY CHANNELS ATTRACTED HIS ATTENTION, BUT ONE INLET WAS OF PARTICULAR INTEREST BECAUSE OF ITS COLOR. AFTER A SECOND OBSERVATION, THE YANKEE CAPTAIN GUIDED HIS STURDY VESSEL ALONG THE FORBIDDING BAR AND INTO THE FRESH WATERS OF A GREAT RIVER.

MAY 12



ON THIS DAY IN 1911 THE FAMOUS WOLVERINE TRANSCONTINENTAL AUTOCAR ARRIVED IN PORTLAND, THE SIXTH DAY AFTER DEPARTING FROM SAN FRANCISCO. IT LEFT SALEM IN THE MORNING AND TOOK ONLY TWO HOURS AND A HALF TO GET TO OREGON CITY AND AN HOUR MORE TO REACH PORTLAND. THE LITTLE MOTORCAR HAD LEFT DETROIT FOUR MONTHS EARLIER FOR NEW YORK AND FROM THERE RETURNED TO DETROIT AND CONTINUED ACROSS THE CONTINENT.

MAY 13



CHARITY LAMB KILLED HER HUSBAND ON THIS DAY IN 1854, BECOMING OREGON'S FIRST MURDERESS. FINALLY BROUGHT TO TRIAL IN SEPTEMBER, SHE WAS CONVICTED OF THE CRIME AND COMMITTED TO THE STATE PENITENTIARY. SINCE OREGON HAD NO PEN, SHE RESIDED AT THE PORTLAND CITY JAIL UNTIL CONSTRUCTION OF A PEN AT PORTLAND IN 1856. BECAUSE SENTENCE WAS HARD LABOR FOR LIFE, SHE WAS FREQUENTLY SEEN DOING THE WARDEN'S LAUNDRY. AFTER UNSUCCESSFULLY TRYING TO GET A PARDON, SHE WAS COMMITTED TO AN INSANE ASYLUM AT PORTLAND IN THE 1860's.

MAY 14



MAY 14, 1844 MARKED THE DAY WHEN OREGON HELD ITS FIRST GENERAL ELECTION TO CHOOSE THE OFFICERS OF THE PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT. OSBORNE RUSSELL, WM. J. BAILEY AND PETER G. STEWART WERE ELECTED TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. DR. IRA BABCOCK WAS CHOSEN AS SUPREME COURT JUDGE, AND JOSEPH MEEK AS SHERIFF. EIGHT MEMBERS WERE ELECTED TO THE LEGISLATURE.

MAY 15



A STAMPEDE OF BAKER CITY PROSPECTORS WAS TODAY PRECIPITATED BY THE REPORT OF A MARVELOUS STRIKE IN THE HILLS SOUTH OF WHITE SWAN. THE NEWS LEAKED OUT THAT TWO PROSPECTORS, WHILE SINKING A BLOWOUT, UNCOVERED THREE FEET OF \$30 ORE. A MYSTERY SURROUNDSTHE EXACT LOCATION OF THE MINE.

MAY 16



THE OPENING OF PORTLAND'S FIRST PUBLIC MARKET WAS CELEBRATED THIS DAY IN 1914. WITH MUCH POMP AND CEREMONY. SPEECHES AND A PARADE WERE HELD AND BASKET-CARRYING SHOPPERS CROWDED THE NEW STALLS ALONG WEST YAMHILL STREET. CUSTOMERS AGREED THAT THE MARKET OFFERED BETTER QUALITY AND A GREATER VARIETY OF PRODUCE THAN DID GROCERY STORES, NOT TO MENTION INCREASED FRESHNESS.

MAY 17



THOMAS H. SHERRARD WAS BORN THIS DAY, 1874, IN BROOKLYN, MICHIGAN. AFTER GRADUATING FROM YALE AND STUDYING FORESTRY AT HARVARD IN 1898, HE ENTERED THE U.S. FOREST SERVICE IN 1906. BEGINNING IN 1908, HE SERVED AS SUPERVISOR OF THE OREGON FOREST, OR MT. HOOD FOREST AS IT WAS LATER CALLED. DURING HIS SERVICE UNTIL 1941, HE WAS THE FIRST TO DEVELOP THE RECREATIONAL RESOURCES OF THE NORTHWEST FORESTS. SHERRARD POINT, ON LARCH MOUNTAIN, WAS NAMED FOR HIM IN 1947.

MAY 18



"THIS SEEMS MORE LIKE SABBATH THAN ANY WE HAVE PASSED SINCE WE LEFT THE SETTLEMENTS. THE RAIN PREVENTS THE MEN FROM BEING OUT HALLOOING, CURSING AND SHOUTING"

JASON LEE'S DIARY
MAY 18, 1834

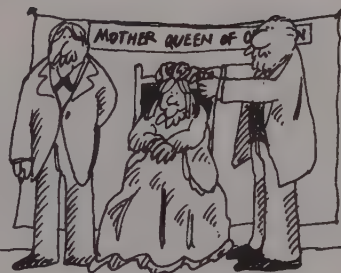
MAY 19



"FRESH AND CLEAR WEATHER. EARLY A NUMBER OF CANOES CAME ALONGSIDE: SEAMEN AND TRADESMEN EMPLOYED IN THEIR VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS. CAPTAIN GRAY GAVE THE RIVER THE NAME OF COLUMBIA'S RIVER; THE NORTH SIDE OF THE ENTRANCE, CAPE HANCOCK; AND ON THE SOUTH SIDE, POINT ADAMS."

COLUMBIA LOGBOOK
MAY 19, 1792

MAY 20



MAY 20, 1781 MARKS THE BIRTHDATE OF MARY RAMSEY LEMONS WOODS IN KNOXVILLE, TENN. IN 1853, AT THE AGE OF 73, SHE RODE A MULE BAREBACK TO OREGON AND SETTLED NEAR HILLSBORO WHERE SHE PROCEEDED TO LIVE.. AND LIVE. WHEN SHE WAS 120 YEARS OLD AND FIVE WEEKS OF AGE SHE WAS CROWNED AS "MOTHER QUEEN OF OREGON." WHILE STILL 116 YEARS OLD, SHE TESTIFIED WITH AMAZING CLARITY IN COURT. SHE DIED AT HOME ON JAN. 1, 1908. AT THE AGE OF 120 YEARS, 7 MONTHS AND 11 DAYS; 2 YEARS OLDER THAN THE CONSTITUTION.

MAY 21



EARLY IN 1903 THE OREGON LEGISLATURE AUTHORIZED THE HOLDING OF THE LEWIS AND CLARK EXPOSITION AND APPROPRIATED \$500,000 THEREFOR. ON MAY 21, 1903, PRESIDENT THEODORE ROOSEVELT LAID THE CORNERSTONE OF THE LEWIS AND CLARK MONUMENT IN CITY PARK, PORTLAND; AN EVENT THAT WAS WITNESSED BY THOUSANDS, HERALDING THE APPROACHING EXPOSITION WITH MUCH SIGNIFICANCE.

MAY 22



DUE, IN LARGE PART, TO THE EFFORTS OF JUDGE WILLIAM GLADSTONE STEEL TO MAKE CRATER LAKE AND ITS SURROUNDINGS A NATIONAL PARK, CONGRESS ON THIS DAY IN 1902, CREATED CRATER LAKE NATIONAL PARK, EMBRACING NEARLY 250 SQUARE MILES OF LAND IN DOUGLAS AND KLAMATH COUNTIES. THE LAKE ITSELF IS ABOUT SIX MILES IN DIAMETER, WITH AN AREA OF 21 SQUARE MILES. ITS PRESENT NAME WAS GIVEN IT BY A PARTY OF VISITORS FROM JACKSONVILLE IN 1869.

MAY 23



BELIEVING THAT "GOD NEVER MADE A MOUNTAIN THAT HE DIDN'T MAKE A WAY TO GET OVER IT," SAMUEL BARLOW STRUCK OUT FROM THE DALLES FOR THE WILLAMETTE SETTLEMENTS WITH A SMALL PARTY OF IMMIGRANTS AND THEIR WAGONS. AFTER MUCH STRUGGLE AND HARDSHIP, BARLOW AND HIS PARTY BLAZED A NEW TRAIL THROUGH THE MOUNTAINS BETWEEN MT. HOOD AND MT. JEFFERSON REACHING THE UPPER CLACKAMAS IN THE LATE FALL. THE FOLLOWING YEAR, 1846, BARLOW RETRACED THE ROUTE AND BY AUTHORITY OF THE PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT ON MAY 23 CONSTRUCTED A TOLL ROAD.

MAY 24



ON THIS DAY IN 1910, MABEL LAKE OF HOOD RIVER WAS ARRESTED FOR REFUSING TO TELL HER AGE TO CENSUS ENUMERATORS. THAT SAME EVENING, A TOTAL ECLIPSE OF THE MOON AND THE PASSING OF HALLEY'S COMET MADE A "CELESTIAL SPECTACLE UNPRECEDENTED AND PERHAPS NEVER TO BE REPEATED."

MAY 25



GEORGE HIMES, ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE OREGON HISTORICAL SOCIETY WAS IN ASTORIA ON THIS DAY IN 1901 FINALIZING ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE SOCIETY'S PURCHASE OF THE SITE OF LEWIS AND CLARK'S ENCAMPMENT, FORT CLATSOP. "THE LEWIS AND CLARK SITE IS TO THE WEST WHAT PLYMOUTH ROCK IS TO NEW ENGLAND," SAID MR. HIMES IN THE MORNING. "IT IS AN HISTORIC SPOT AND WE SHALL SEE THAT THE MEMORY OF THE EXPLORERS IS PERPETUATED."

MAY 26



"SMOKING AGAIN — MT. HOOD WAS BELCHING FORTH BLACK SMOKE IN LARGE VOLUMES, AT DIFFERENT INTERVALS OF YESTERDAY AFTERNOON."

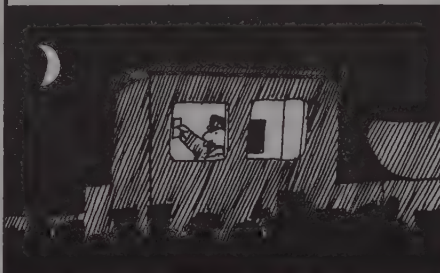
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MAY 26, 1866

MAY 27



ON THIS DAY IN 1960, THE ICE AGE RETURNED TO OREGON.

MAY 28



ELECTRIC LIGHTS WERE TURNED ON IN OREGON FOR THE FIRST TIME ON THE EVENING OF MAY 28, 1879, WHEN THE NEW PASSENGER STEAMER, THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, DOCKED AT PORTLAND AND ILLUMINATED THE CABIN AND ENGINE ROOM WITH SIX ARC LIGHTS. A PUBLIC EXHIBITION GIVEN THAT EVENING WAS SAID TO HAVE BEEN ATTENDED BY MORE THAN 500 PORTLANDERS. "WITH THE TURNING OF A SWITCH A BRILLIANT WHITE LIGHT BURST FORTH SURPASSING SURPASSING ANYTHING OF THE KIND EVER SEEN IN PORTLAND BEFORE."

OREGONIAN
MAY 29, 1879

MAY 29



"TO BE EXHIBITED - MR. LOUIS FUNDER HAS IMPORTED FROM BERLIN, GERMANY A WHITE RHODODENDRON, WHICH HE WILL EXHIBIT AT THE ENSUING FAIR OF THE STATE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY. THIS IS THE FIRST OF THIS SPECTACULAR SPECIES OF THE ABOVE PLANT EVER SEEN ON THIS COAST."

OREGONIAN
MAY 29, 1872

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JUN 2



DIRECT LEGISLATION CAME TO OREGON ON THIS DAY IN 1902 WITH THE PASSAGE OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE STATE CONSTITUTION PROVIDING FOR POPULAR INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM. THE PASSAGE OF THIS BILL MEANT THAT OREGONIANS ACQUIRED THE POWER TO INITIATE LAWS THEY DESIRED ENACTED WITHOUT REFERENCE TO THE LEGISLATURE, AND COULD ELIMINATE SUCH LEGISLATION AS DOES NOT RECEIVE THE APPROVAL OF THE MAJORITY. OREGON WAS THE FIRST STATE IN THE UNION TO PASS SUCH DEMOCRATIC LEGISLATION.

JUN 3



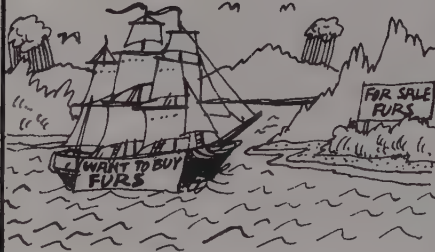
ON OR NEAR THIS DAY IN 1810, ABIEL, JONATHAN AND NATHAN WINSHIP SELECTED A SETTLEMENT SITE ALONG THE COLUMBIA RIVER BETWEEN PRESENT-DAY CLATSKANIE AND RAINIER, OREGON. ARRIVING FROM BOSTON ABOARD THEIR SAILING SHIP, ALBATROSS, THE BROTHERS AND A CREW OF THIRTY MEN ENTERED THE COLUMBIA MAY 26 AND AFTER DECIDING ON A SUITABLE LOCATION, BEGAN BUILDING A FORTRESS AND PLANTING GARDENS. ON JUNE 7 IT BEGAN TO RAIN...AND RAIN. SOON THE GARDENS AND NEW LOG STRUCTURE WERE BOTH FLOODED. WITH NO LET-UP IN THE FLOODING BY JUNE 12, THE DISCOURAGED WINSHIPS AND CREW RE-BOARDED THEIR VESSEL, LOADED THE EGGS AND PIGS THAT HAD EARLIER BEEN PUT ASHORE AND SAILED BACK DOWN THE RIVER NEVER TO RETURN. THEIR SETTLEMENT LASTED ONLY 8 DAYS.

JUN 4



ON THIS DAY IN 1851, THE FIRST SURVEYOR GENERAL OF OREGON, JOHN B. PRESTON DROVE A CEDAR STAKE INTO THE GROUND THREE MILES WEST OF PORTLAND. THE STAKE DEFINED THE "STARTING POINT" FOR ALL LAND SURVEYS IN THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST. FROM IT, NORTH AND SOUTH, RUNS THE WILLAMETTE MERIDIAN AND EAST AND WEST, THE BASE LINE. ALL MAPS AND DEEDS REFER TO THESE LINES. ON JULY 25, 1885, THE CEDAR STAKE WAS REPLACED BY A STONE MARKER KNOWN AS THE "WILLAMETTE STONE."

JUN 5



TWO WEEKS AFTER DELIVERING CARGO AND MEMBERS OF JOHN JACOB ASTOR'S PACIFIC FUR COMPANY ON THE SOUTH SHORE OF THE COLUMBIA RIVER. THE SHIP, TONQUIN, DEPARTED NEWLY ESTABLISHED FORT ASTORIA ON THIS DAY IN 1811 AND SAILED UP THE PACIFIC COAST. THE COMMANDING OFFICER, CAPT. JONATHAN THORN ORDERED THE SHIP TO DROP ANCHOR IN CLAYPORT HARBOR (VANCOUVER ISLAND) AGAINST THE ADVICE OF HIS INTERPRETER. LOCAL INDIANS WITH FURS TO SELL WERE INVITED ON BOARD BUT REFUSED TO SELL AT THE PRICES THEY WERE OFFERED. THE HARD-NATURED THORN RESPONDED BY KICKING THE CHIEF OVERBOARD. THE FOLLOWING MORNING THE SHIP WAS ATTACKED BY AN ANGRY BAND OF INDIANS AND ALL BUT 5 OF THE CREW WERE KILLED. ONE OF THESE MEN SUCCEEDED IN BLOWING UP THE SHIP AND ALL REMAINING, INCLUDING HIMSELF, ON THE VESSEL.

JUN 6



EDITORS OF EARLY OREGON NEWSPAPERS EXERCISED MUCH LATITUDE IN THEIR COMMENTARY ON NEWS AND PEOPLE, AND OCCASIONALLY RESORTED TO SUGGESTING HARSH AND VIOLENT REMEDIES TO CERTAIN SITUATIONS. ONE EDITOR OF THE MORNING OREGONIAN ON JUNE 6, 1865, FRANKLY SPOKE OF A "NECK-TIE PARTY" WHEN HE WROTE: "JUST AS WE WERE GOING TO PRESS LAST NIGHT AN ALARM OF FIRE BROUGHT OUT THE ENTIRE DEPARTMENT. IT WAS A FALSE ALARM, SUCH AS ARE BECOMING TOO FREQUENT IN THE CITY, AND TO BREAK UP WHICH A WELL CONDUCTED HANGING MIGHT PROVE EFFICIENT, UPON INVESTIGATION."

JUN 7



"THE WHOLE WORLD KNOWS THAT THE COLUMBIA RIVER HIGHWAY IS OPEN. IF IT DOESN'T, IT OUGHT TO, FOR THE FORMAL OPENING WAS PROCLAIMED TO THE UNIVERSE YESTERDAY. THE CEREMONIES WERE ELABORATE AND COLORFUL. A QUEEN WAS CROWNED. NOTABLES UNNUMBERED WERE IN ATTENDANCE. THE ROYAL ROSARIAN BAND PLAYED. SPEECHES WERE DELIVERED. AND, AS A FINALE, PRESIDENT WILSON TOUCHED A BUTTON IN THE WHITE HOUSE AND A FLAG WAS UNFURLED ON CROWN POINT!"

OREGONIAN
JUNE 7, 1916

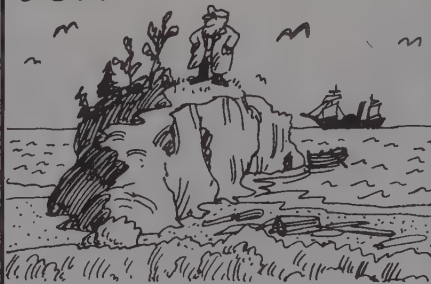
JUN 8



"AN OREGON MAN FINDS HIMSELF THE CENTER OF A DIPLOMATIC STORM DAY. THEODORE SMITH OF ASTORIA IS IN JAIL IN RIGA, RUSSIA FOR WEARING A RED NECKTIE, AN ACT WHICH, ACCORDING TO THE RUSSIAN AUTHORITIES MARKS HIM AS A SYMPATHIZER WITH THE LATVIAN REVOLUTIONISTS WHO ARE TRYING TO FREE THEMSELVES FROM CZARIST RULE AND SET UP AN INDEPENDENT STATE. IT IS INTERESTING THAT IN THE SAME JAIL IS AN ESTHONIAN FARMER WHO IS HELD BECAUSE HE DARED TO READ THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE TO AN ASSEMBLY OF PEASANTS. IN SPITE OF STRONG PROTESTS ON THE FLOOR OF DIUMA, THE RUSSIAN PARLIAMENT, THE CZARIST POLICE ARE DAILY SUBJECTING THE PRISONERS TO TORTURE. SMITH HAS BEEN BEATEN 4 TIMES AND COMPLAINS THAT THE PRISON FOOD IS SO VILE HE CANNOT EAT IT."

OREGONIAN
JUNE 8, 1901

JUN 9



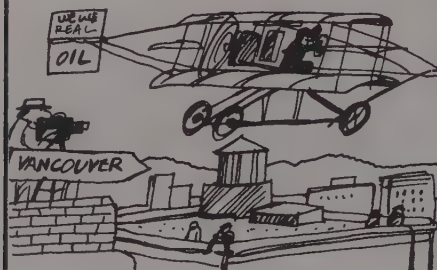
ATTEMPTING TO ESTABLISH A SUPPLY POINT ALONG THE SOUTHERN OREGON COAST FOR INLAND MINERS, CAPT. WM. TICHENOR, IN 1851, DEPOSITED 9 MEN AND SUPPLIES FROM HIS SMALL STEAMER, SEA GULL, ON A LARGE ROCK NEAR PRESENT-DAY PORT ORFORD. THE ROCK WAS LATER NAMED BATTLE ROCK BECAUSE OF THE SKIRMISH THAT FOLLOWED BETWEEN TICHENOR'S MEN AND THE LOCAL COPVILLE INDIANS WHO UNDERSTANDABLY RESSENTED THE INTRUSION BY OUTSIDERS. THE WHITES, UNDER THE COMMAND OF CAPT. J. M. KIRKPATRICK, REPELLED THE ATTACK AND SUBSEQUENT THREATS DURING THE FOLLOWING 2 WEEKS BEFORE STEALING AWAY FROM THE ROCK AND SEEKING HELP AT WHITE SETTLEMENTS TO THE NORTH. WHEN TICHENOR LATER RETURNED IN THE SEA GULL, HE DISCOVERED THE COLONIZERS GONE.

JUN 10



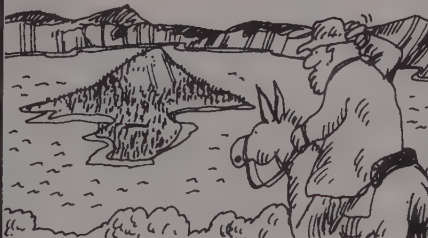
THE FOLLOWING QUOTE BY A DARING, YOUNG OREGON AVIATOR, SILAS CHRISTOFFERSON, APPEARED IN THE OREGONIAN ON MON., JUNE 10, 1912. "THIS IS AN AGE OF DO IT FIRST. BE ORIGINAL; DON'T COPY. WHEN A FEAT HAS ONCE BEEN PERFORMED, THE PEOPLE TIRE OF IT AND EXPECT THE NEXT PERFORMER TO GIVE SOMETHING ENTIRELY NEW. THAT IS THE ONLY REASON I HAVE DECIDED TO MAKE A PLIGHT FROM THE TOP OF THE MULTINOMAH HOTEL-BUILDING ON TUESDAY AFTERNOON. IT WILL BE THE FIRST EXHIBITION OF THE KIND IN THE HISTORY OF AVIATION!"

JUN 11



ON THIS DAY IN 1912, TRUE TO HIS PROMISE A DAY EARLIER, SILAS CHRISTOPPERSON MADE A SPECTACULAR FLIGHT IN HIS 40 HORSE-POWER BI-PLANE FROM THE ROOF OF THE MULTNOMAH HOTEL IN DOWNTOWN PORTLAND, TO PEARSON FIELD IN VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON. THE FLIGHT TOOK 12 MINUTES. AS REPORTED IN THE OREGONIAN THE PREVIOUS DAY, "AVIATORS HAVE MADE ASCENTS FROM THE DECKS OF LARGE BATTLESHIPS, BUT THERE IS NO RECORD THAT ANY OF THE LARGE ARMY OF INTREPID BIRD MEN HAS DATED UNDER-TAKEN TO FLY FROM A BUILDING THE ELEVATION OF THE MULTNOMAH, ESTIMATED AT 120 FEET."

JUN 12



ON JUNE 12, IN 1853, JOHN W. HILLMAN JOINED A PARTY OF CALIFORNIA MINERS IN SOUTHERN OREGON LOOKING FOR THE "LOST CABIN MINE." WITH PROVISIONS HAVING RUN LOW, HILLMAN AND A FEW OF HIS TRAVELLING COMPANIONS WENT HUNTING FOR GAME. RIDING AHEAD ON HIS MULE, HILLMAN SUDDENLY ARRIVED AT THE RIM OF A HUGE CRATER AND LOOKING DOWN FROM THE DIZZY HEIGHT, HE BEHELD A VAST BODY OF WATER SO MAGNIFICENTLY BLUE IN COLOR THAT HE AND THE GROUP NAMED THEIR DISCOVERY, "DEEP BLUE LAKE." LOCATED EAST OF JACKSONVILLE, THE LAKE WAS ALMOST FORGOTTEN UNTIL 1865 WHEN A PARTY OF SOLDIERS FROM FORT KLAMATH RECOVERED IT AND NAMED IT "LAKE MAJESTY," WHICH WAS LATER CHANGED IN 1869 TO ITS PRESENT NAME OF CRATER LAKE.

JUN 13



IT WAS LEARNED TODAY THAT CALIFORNIA BREWERS ARE THREATENING TO BOYCOTT OREGON HOP GROWERS BECAUSE OREGON IS GROWING DRY AND CRIPPLING THE BEER AND LIQUOR TRADE. A CALIFORNIA BREWER, NOW VISITING IN THIS STATE, SAYS THE MOVEMENT TO REFUSE TO BUY OREGON HOPS AND BARLEY WILL SHORTLY BE JOINED BY EASTERN BREWERS AND MAY EVEN EXTEND TO ENGLAND. DISSATISFACTION WITH THE ATTITUDE OF OREGON FARMERS TOWARD THE BREWERY TRADE AROSE FROM THE FACT THAT A NUMBER OF HOP GROWING AREAS HAVE VOTED HEAVILY FOR PROHIBITION.

OREGONIAN
JUNE 13, 1908

JUN 14



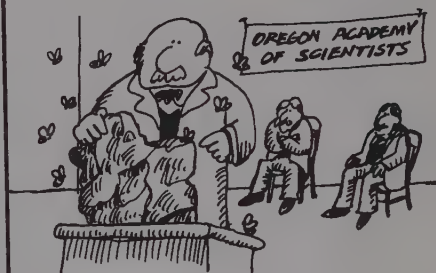
AT ONE TIME, OREGON HAD TWO TOWNS NAMED MARYSVILLE. ONE LATER BECAME CORVALLIS AND THE SECOND, A GHOST TOWN IN GRANT COUNTY. ON JUNE 14, 1862, TWO GROUPS OF MINERS FROM CALIFORNIA CAMPED ON LITTLE PINE CREEK WHERE THEY DISCOVERED GOLD. THEY NAMED THEIR CAMP MARYSVILLE IN HONOR OF THEIR HOME TOWN IN CALIFORNIA. THE SETTLEMENT GREW AS MORE MINERS, GAMBLERS, MERCHANTS AND SALOON PEOPLE FLOCKED IN. A SCHOOL WAS BUILT AND THE SMALL MINING TOWN FLOURISHED UNTIL CANYON CITY WAS FOUNDED NEARBY AND THEN, IN A PATTERN FAMILIAR TO MANY MINING SETTLEMENTS, WAS ABANDONED, LEAVING, IN THE YEARS TO FOLLOW, A FEW WEATHERED SHACKS AS VESTIGES OF ITS ONE-TIME EXISTENCE.

JUN 15



IN 1923 ON THIS DAY THE U.S. NAVY BESTOWED THE BATTLESHIP OREGON TO THE STATE OF OREGON AS A PATRIOTIC MEMORIAL OF HER FAMOUS CRUISE. THIS RECORD VOYAGE WAS MADE IN THE SPRING OF 1898 WHEN THE VESSEL STEAMED 4,726 MILES FROM PUEBLO SOUND TO SAND KEY, FLORIDA WITHOUT A STOP FOR ANY PURPOSE, AND ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL REPORTS, "WITHOUT A LOSE BOLT OR SCREW OUT OF ORDER." AT SANTIAGO, CUBA, THE "OREGON" FIRED THE FIRST SHOT IN A CONTEST WHICH SEALED THE FATE OF THE SPANISH NAVY.

JUN 16



ON JUNE 16, 1906, PROFESSOR C.E. BRADLEY OF THE CHEMISTRY DEPARTMENT AT OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE SETTLED THE QUESTION OF THE MYSTERIOUS NEHALEM SUBSTANCE BY TELLING THE OREGON ACADEMY OF SCIENCES AT PORTLAND THAT THE MORE THAN THREE TONS OF WAXY SUBSTANCE FOUND IN THE SANDS OF NEHALEM BEACH ALONG OREGON'S COAST IS "BEESWAX." SAID BRADLEY, "PHYSICALLY, CHEMICALLY, AND, IN MY OPINION, INDISPUTABLY, THE SUBSTANCE FOUND ON NEHALEM BEACH IS REAL BEESWAX AND NOT A NATURAL DEPOSIT." A LEGEND OF THE CLATSOP INDIANS CLAIMS IT CAME FROM A SPANISH SHIP WRECKED ON THE NEHALEM BEACH IN 1769.

JUN 17



THIS DAY IN 1929 MARKED THE OPENING OF EASTERN OREGON NORMAL SCHOOL IN LA GRANDE. LOCATED ON TWENTY-NINE ACRES OVERLOOKING THE CITY AND THE GRANDE RONDE VALLEY, IT WAS THE ONLY HIGHER EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION IN THE STATE, LOCATED EAST OF THE CASCADE MOUNTAINS. EASTERN OREGON COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, AS IT WAS LATER TO BE NAMED, WAS NOT THE FIRST INSTITUTION OF HIGHER LEARNING TO BE ESTABLISHED AT LA GRANDE, HOWER. THE BLUE MOUNTAIN UNIVERSITY CREATED BY THE METHODIST CHURCH IN 1875 WAS THE EARLIEST PIONEER OF EDUCATION IN THE EASTERN HALF OF THE STATE.

JUN 18



"MR. AND MRS. G.W. COBB CROSSED THE CASCADE MOUNTAINS BY THE SANTIAM ROUTE ABOUT TWO WEEKS AGO. THEY FOUND SNOW FOR TEN MILES AND IT AVERAGED ABOUT FIVE FEET DEEP. AT TIMES THEY HAD TWELVE HORSES HITCHED TO ONE WAGON. IT TOOK THEM FOUR DAYS TO CROSS THE SUMMIT. THEY TRIED THE MCKENZIE ROUTE, BUT THEY FAILED."

LEBANON EXPRESS ADVANCE
JUNE 18, 1901

JUN 19



GOVERNOR EARL SNELL OF OREGON, IN COLUMBUS, OHIO, FOR THE 35th ANNUAL GOVERNORS CONFERENCE, SAID ON THIS DAY IN 1942 THAT HE HOPED TO RECEIVE FROM THE CONFERENCE SUGGESTIONS ON PROTECTION OF HIS STATE FROM JAPANESE BOMBING. "WE ARE THE ONLY STATE IN THE UNION OVER WHICH ENEMY PLANES HAVE FLOWN AND ON WHICH ENEMY BOMBS HAVE DROPPED," HE SAID, "AND WE DON'T LIKE IT."

JUN 20



ON THIS DAY IN 1905 THE TOLL GATE-KEEPER, J.L. NYE OF LOWER SODA ON THE SANTIAM WAGON ROAD LOOKED UP THE ROAD AND SAW A STRANGE CONTRAPTION APPROACHING. MADE OF IRON AND TIN AND MAKING STRANGE NOISES THE ANIMAL STOPPED AND OFFERED TO PAY TOLL. NYE COULD FIND NO DESCRIPTION OF THE THING ON HIS TOLL SHEET, SO CLASSIFIED IT AS A "ROAD-HOG", AND CHARGE IT THE USUAL RATE OF 3¢. THE "HOG" TURNED OUT TO BE DWIGHT B. HUSS AND HIS OLDSMOBILE OLD SLOUT, THE FIRST AUTOMOBILE TO CROSS THE CONTINENT AND PASS THROUGH THE SANTIAM PASS.

JUN 21



THIS DATE IN 1966 MARKED THE OPENING OF INTERSTATE 5 BETWEEN ASHLAND AND YREKA, THUS COMPLETING A ROUTE OF TRAVEL THAT HAD BEEN IN EXISTENCE, FOR WHITE SETTLERS, SINCE 1858. FOR DECADES IT WAS A TOLL ROAD BECAUSE JACKSON COUNTY LACKED THE FUNDS TO BUY AND MAINTAIN IT. MEN ON FOOT OR HORSEBACK WERE CHARGED 25¢, WAGONS WERE SLIGHTLY MORE AND THE OREGON STAGE COACH LINE HAD TO PAY BETWEEN 40 AND 80 DOLLARS A MONTH TO OPERATE OVER THE ROAD. FOR YEARS, THE TOLL ROAD WAS OWNED BY "UNCLE DUD" DOLLARHIDE AND HIS FAMILY. WHEN THE COUNTY DECIDED TO BUY OUT "UNCLE DUD" IN THE EARLY 1900'S, HE REFUSED AND MET THE FIRST CONSTRUCTION CREW ON THE PACIFIC HIGHWAY WITH A SHOTGUN. AFTER MUCH NEGOTIATION, "UNCLE DUD" FINALLY AGREED TO ACCEPT \$1000 FOR HIS ROAD.

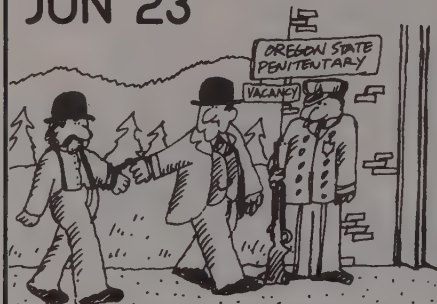
JUN 22



"MR. WM. E. HOWELL, OF ALBANY, SHOWED US YESTERDAY ONE OF THE NEATEST, MOST SIMPLE, BUT AT THE SAME TIME, USEFUL LITTLE INVENTIONS WHICH IT HAS BEEN OUR PRIVILEGE TO INSPECT FOR MANY A LONG DAY. THIS CONTRIVANCE WAS INVENTED BY DR. E.O. SMITH OF ALBANY. THE INVENTION IS A STEEL PERMANENT ATTACHMENT PENCIL SHARPENER, WITH DIAGONAL KNIVES CUTTING THE WOOD AWAY FROM THE LEAD IN A SMOOTH AND UNIFORM MANNER ... MR. HOWELL AND DR. SMITH EACH OWN 1/2 INTEREST IN THE INVENTION. IN A SHORT TIME DR. SMITH WILL START EAST FOR THE PURPOSE OF HAVING A LARGE INVOICE OF THESE PENCIL SHARPENERS MANUFACTURED."

OREGONIAN
JUNE 22, 1874

JUN 23



GOVERNOR OS WEST RETURNED TO SALEM THIS DAY IN 1911 AFTER HAVING PERSONALLY CAPTURED JESS HALL, THE CONVICT WHO ESCAPED FROM THE STATE HOME FOR THE FEEBLE-MINDED, WHERE HE WAS SERVING AS A TRUSTY, JUST A WEEK PREVIOUSLY. HALL WAS RETURNED TO THE PENITENTIARY AND WAS SUBSEQUENTLY GIVEN INSIDE WORK. GOVERNOR WEST LED THE SEARCH FOR THE ESCAPED MAN, WHO WAS CAPTURED NEAR CORVALLIS, AND ACCEPTED HIS SURRENDER.

JUN 24



IN 1908 THE BURNS CITY COUNCIL, ON JUNE 24, ORDERED ALL GAMBLING STOPPED IN SALOONS AND AN END TO CARD GAMES FOR DRINKS. THE COUNCIL STATED THE STEP WAS TAKEN TO PUT AN END TO THE IMMIGRATION OF UNDESIRABLE PEOPLE FROM SURROUNDING COUNTIES THAT HAD GONE DRY. IN ADDITION, POOL BETTING OR GAMBLING OF ANY KIND AT THE COUNTY FAIR IN THE FALL WAS DECLARED ILLEGAL. AS A RESULT, A SIX-DAY CELEBRATION SCHEDULED FOR JULY FELL THROUGH BECAUSE SALOON KEEPERS WITHDREW THEIR SUBSCRIPTIONS.

JUN 25



"LOCAL BREVITIES - SLIPPERY STREETS AGAIN., CONSIDERABLE DAMPNESS YESTERDAY., FINE GROWING WEATHER - FOR DUCKS, IT NEVER RAINS IN THIS CLIMATE - NO CHANCE - IT ONLY POURS."

OREGONIAN
JUNE 25, 1874

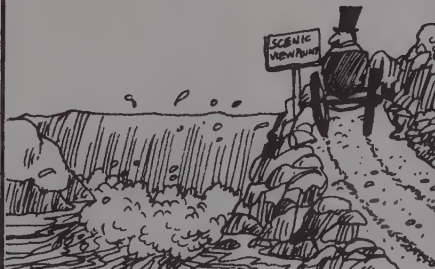
JUN 26



THE CIRCUIT COURT WAS OCCUPIED TWO DAYS TRYING JESSE L. ADAMS AND JOHN GUESS, CHARGED WITH "CAPTURING" A HOG WORTH ABOUT "EIGHT DOLLARS." IT TOOK 24 JURYMEN, 28 WITNESSES, 8 LAWYERS, TWO BALIFFS, CLERK, JUDGE, AND OTHER OFFICERS OF THE COURT TO SIPT THE MATTER AND FIND THAT THE ABOVE NAMED INDIVIDUALS WERE "NOT GUILTY." THIS EIGHT DOLLAR HOG HAS COST SOMEBODY IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF A THOUSAND DOLLARS.

OREGONIAN
JUNE 26, 1874

JUN 27



"NEW ROAD"

THE CITIZENS OF LINN COUNTY JUST COMPLETED A VERY EXCELLENT ROAD AROUND THE FALLS. (WILLAMETTE FALLS) AS THE TRACK ON THE ROAD IS JUST ABOVE HIGH WATER MARK AND WARE HOUSES WILL SOON BE ERECTED, THE PORTAGE OF THIS PLACE CAN HEREAFTER BE AFFECTED WITHOUT THE DIFFICULTIES HERETOFORE ATTENDING IT. AND BY OPENING THE ROAD DOWN THE TUALITIN RIVER, THE HILL BACK OF LINN CITY CAN BE ENTIRELY AVOIDED BY THE TRAVELLER FROM YAM HILL AND TUALITIN PLAINS."

OREGON SPECTATOR
JUNE 27, 1850

JUN 28



ON THIS DAY IN 1929 THE ST. HELENS MIST REPORTED THAT BACHELOR FLAT, THREE MILES SOUTHWEST OF ST. HELENS IN COLUMBIA COUNTY, WAS NAMED BECAUSE OF THE PRESENCE OF SO MANY SINGLE MEN IN THE LOCALITY-- ACCORDING TO CHARLES GABLE WHO SETTLED THERE IN 1880, HE AND FIVE OR SIX CRONIES WHO WERE ALSO BACHELORS, GOT TOGETHER ONE EVENING AND HE SUGGESTED THE NAME BACHELOR FLAT WHICH HAS STUCK THROUGH THE YEARS.

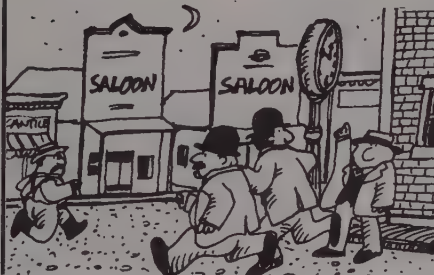
JUN 29



"AS MR. MCCLAIN, WHO RESIDES A SHORT DISTANCE BELOW CORVALLIS, WAS OUT RIDING WITH HIS WEAKNESS ON LAST SUNDAY. WHILE DRIVING RAPIDLY, THE BUGGY CAME IN CONTACT WITH A COW LYING IN THE ROAD. THE RESULT WAS THAT THE COW WAS UNINJURED, BUT THE TWAIN WERE PRECIPITATED TO THE GROUND, SLIGHTLY INJURING THE YOUNG LADY, AND RENDERING MR. MCCLAIN INSENSIBLE."

OREGONIAN
JUNE 29, 1874

JUN 30



JOSEPHINE COUNTY WAS VOTED A "DRY COUNTY" ON THIS DAY IN 1908, RESULTING IN EVERY SALOON CLOSING FOR GOOD AT MIDNIGHT. AT THIS SAME TIME, CITIZENS AND NEWSPAPERS IN GRANTS PASS WERE DEMANDING THAT THE TOWN'S STREETS BE PAVED. ANGRY OVER THE VOTE FOR A DRY COUNTY, ONE PARTICULAR MEMBER OF THE CITY COUNCIL VOTED DOWN THE PLAN TO PAVE THE STREETS. SIXTH STREET DIDN'T GET PAVED UNTIL 1910.

JUL 1



THE OREGON STAGE COMPANY BEGAN ITS STAGING OPERATIONS BETWEEN SACRAMENTO AND PORTLAND THIS DAY IN 1866. OWNED BY HENRY C. CORBETT, THE COMPANY'S PLACARDS WERE POSTED TO ADVERTISE THE "OREGON LINE STAGES" WHICH GO "THROUGH IN SIX DAYS TO SACRAMENTO." SERVICE CONTINUED UNTIL 1887 WHEN THE TWO STATES WERE LINKED BY RAIL.

JUL 2



"A RECENT DISCOVERY IN THE SLICE BOXES OF THE LOGAN MINE IN ILLINOIS VALLEY OF A SPANISH COIN BEARING THE DATE MARK OF 1784, IS HELD TO ESTABLISH THE APPROXIMATE DATE OF THE GOLD-SEEKING OPERATIONS OF THE SPANIARDS IN SOUTHWESTERN OREGON. FINDINGS MADE IN THE DEEP GRAVEL THROUGHOUT THE PAST GENERATION HAVE CONFIRMED THE BELIEF IN THE MINDS OF THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN IN TOUCH WITH THEM THAT DURING THE MISSION OR PASTORAL PERIOD IN CALIFORNIA AND ANTE DATING ANY LOCAL HISTORY, SPANIARDS VISITED THIS SECTION OF OREGON IN QUEST OF GOLD."

GRANTS PASS DAILY COURIER
JULY 2, 1916

JUL 3



THE STEAMER, COLUMBIA, FIRST TO BE BUILT ON THE RIVER OF THAT NAME, MADE HER TRIAL RUN ON THIS DAY IN 1850, AND THUSLY INAUGURATED A NEW ERA IN TRANSPORTATION HISTORY OF THE OREGON TERRITORY. BUILT AND COMMANDED BY CAPT. JAMES FROST AT ASTORIA, SHE IS EXPECTED TO RUN BETWEEN ASTORIA AND PORTLAND AND OREGON CITY AT A PREDICTED RUNNING TIME OF 26 HOURS BETWEEN THE COAST PORT AND OREGON CITY.

JUL 4



"REACHED PORTLAND EARLY IN THE DAY. HAD A GLORIOUS TIME. NO ACCIDENT TRANSPIRED TO MAR THE GOOD FEELING AND FULL ENJOYMENT OF THE FESTIVITIES OF THE DAY. ABOUT 6 OR 7 THOUSAND PEOPLE WERE IN ATTENDANCE. HAD A GOOD PATRIOTIC ORATION. IN THE EVENING A SPLENDID DISPLAY OF FIREWORKS."

JOEL PALMER
JULY 4, 1861

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JUL 8



JOHN L. WHITEAKER WAS ELECTED AND INAUGURATED OREGON STATE GOVERNOR ON THIS DAY IN 1888 WHILE GEORGE L. CURRY WAS STILL IN OFFICE AS PROVISIONAL GOVERNOR. OREGON WAS NOT ADMITTED TO THE UNION UNTIL FEBRUARY 1889, SO FOR SEVEN MONTHS THE STATE HAD TWO GOVERNORS IN OFFICE AT THE SAME TIME.

JUL 9



IT IS ESTIMATED THAT 720 POUNDS OF YOUNG LADIES GRADUATED AT THE WIL-LAMETTE UNIVERSITY LAST WEEK.

OREGONIAN
JULY 9, 1914

JUL 10



THE NEW GLADSTONE AUDITORIUM WAS THE SITE OF THE OPENING CHAUTAUQUA ASSEMBLY ON THIS DAY IN 1895. THE AUDITORIUM WAS COMPLETED THE NIGHT BEFORE AND PROVED TO BE EVERYTHING THAT WAS EXPECTED OF IT. OVER 4000 IN ATTENDANCE LISTENED TO SEVERAL TALKS AND RESPONDED ENTHUSIASTICALLY TO SINGING BY THE SALEM LADIES' QUARTET.

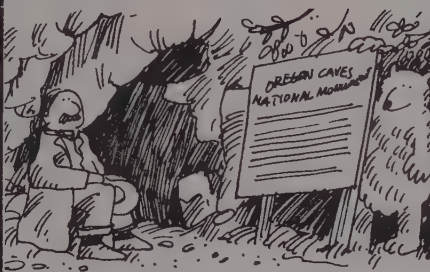
JUL 11



"WE WOULD SAY, FOR THE INFORMATION OF THOSE CONCERNED THAT GOODS INTENDED TO BE CARTED OVER THE PORTAGE ON THE LINN CITY ROAD, SHOULD BE LANDED ABOVE THE UPPER FERRY LANDING, AS THE COST OF CARTAGE FROM THE LOWER FERRY IS NECESSARILY MUCH GREATER. TEAMS ARE ALWAYS IN READINESS IN LINN CITY TO CONVEY MERCHANDISE OVER THIS ROAD."

OREGON SPECTATOR
JULY 11, 1850

JUL 12



ON THIS DATE PRESIDENT TAFT SET THE OREGON CAVES ASIDE AS A NATIONAL MONUMENT. THE CAVES WERE FIRST DISCOVERED IN 1874 BY ELIJAH DAVIDSON WHILE HUNTING FOR A BEAR THAT HAD ESCAPED HIS DOG. THESE CAVERNS WERE FIRST CALLED ELIJAH CAVES, MARBLE CAVES AND THEN JOSEPHINE CAVES BEFORE THEIR PRESIDENTIAL PROCLAMATION AS THE OREGON CAVES.

JUL 13



EXCESSIVE SPEED WAS SUCH A PROBLEM IN ASTORIA DURING THE 1880'S THAT THE CITY COUNCIL PASSED AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING PERSONS FROM RIDING OR DRIVING A BEAST OF BURDEN WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS AT A SPEED GREATER THAN 6 MILES PER HOUR. A FEW YEARS LATER, BICYCLES SO IMPERILED TRAFFIC THAT A STATE LAW WAS ENACTED THAT MANDATED CYCLISTS TO HALT WITHIN 100 YARDS OF A TEAM, DISMOUNT AND REMAIN STANDING UNTIL THE HORSES HAD PASSED. THE DAILY ASTORIAN JULY 13, 1886, PUBLISHED THE FOLLOWING COMMENTARY ON THIS STATUTE, "THIS LAW MAY BE A GOOD ONE, BUT IT DOES NOT GO FAR ENOUGH; IT SHOULD BE AMENDED SO AS TO COMPEL THE BICYCLIST TO TAKE OFF HIS HAT AND REMAIN UNCOVERED WHILE THE DRIVER OF THE TEAM IS PASSING."

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DRENONIAN
JULY 15, 1905

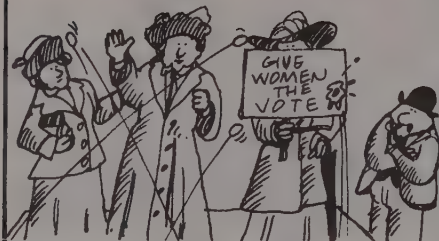
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JUL 17



THE FOLLOWING ITEM APPEARED IN THE JULY 17, 1879 ISSUE OF THE NEW NORTHWEST OF PORTLAND BY ABIGAIL SCOTT DUNIWAY, EDITOR. THE ARTICLE CONCERNED HER VISIT TO JACKSONVILLE AS HEAD OF THE WOMAN'S SUFFRAGE PARTY IN OREGON.

"THE MILITIA'S BEEN OUT AND EGGED US! AND NOW THEY'VE BURNED US IN EFFIGY, THE IMAGE BEING A FAIR LIKENESS OF GEORGE WASHINGTON, SO WE'RE TOLD, THOUGH WE DIDN'T SEE IT; AND IT WORE A WHITE APRON WITH THE WORDS 'LIBELLER OF FAMILIES' ON IT IN BIG LETTERS. ...VERILY, THERE'S NO FORM OF TYRANNY THAT DIES SO HARD AS A MAN'S RIGHTS. LET US BE PATIENT WITH IT AS IT UNDERGOES ITS DEATH AGONIES. ONLY ONE EGG HIT US, AND THAT WAS FRESH AND SWEET, AS IT TOOK US SQUARE ON THE SCALP AND SAVED A SHAMPOOING BILL."

JUL 18



AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE OREGON HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY AT HOOD RIVER ON THIS DAY IN 1892, A COMMITTEE FORMED TWO YEARS EARLIER TO NOMINATE A STATE FLOWER SUGGESTED SEVERAL FLOWERS, AMONG THEM THE OREGON GRAPE. UPON THE MOTION OF GEORGE H. HIMES, THIS FLOWER WAS ADOPTED. A NATIVE SHRUB OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST, THE OREGON GRAPE THRIVES IN THE MOUNTAINS AND ALONG TIMBERED VALLEY STREAMS. ITS RUGGED EVERGREEN FOLIAGE CLOSELY RESEMBLES HOLLY, BUT WITH BERRIES THAT ARE A BRIGHT PURPLE.

JUL 19



THE MAZAMAS, NAMED FOR THE SURE-FOOTED ROCKY MOUNTAIN GOAT, CAME INTO OFFICIAL EXISTENCE THIS DAY IN 1894 WHEN THEY HELD THEIR ORGANIZATIONAL MEET ON THE SUMMIT OF MT. HOOD. OF THE 193 PEOPLE (155 MEN, 38 WOMEN) WHO MADE THE ASCENT, 105 BECAME CHARTER MEMBERS OF THE CLIMBING CLUB. THE PLANNED BANQUET ON THE SUMMIT HAD TO BE ABANDONED FOR THE "OLD MOUNTAINEERS'" GAME OF RUN-FOR-YOUR-LIFE AS FREQUENTLY HAPPENS WHEN THE WEATHER TURNS FOR THE WORSE.

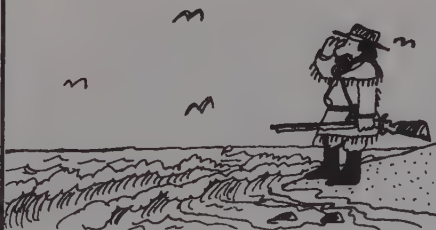
JUL 20



GOVERNOR OS WEST ARRIVED IN PRINEVILLE TODAY ON HIS LITTLE BROWN MARE, HAVING AVERAGED 30 MILES A DAY SINCE LEAVING SALEM. HE PASSED A FEW HOURS VISITING WITH FRIENDS AND LEFT IN A RAINSTORM AT 2 O'CLOCK FOR BURNS. HE EXPECTED TO REACH THE RANCH OF GENE ROBERTS ON CROOKED RIVER, 20 MILES TO THE EAST OF PRINEVILLE, BY SUNDOWN. THE GOVERNOR IS ON HIS WAY TO BOISE, AND AT THE PRESENT RATE WILL ARRIVE THERE ABOUT AUGUST 1ST.

OREGONIAN
JULY 20, 1912

JUL 21



ALEXANDER MAKENZIE ON THIS DAY IN 1793 REACHED THE PACIFIC OCEAN AT THE MOUTH OF THE BELLA COOLA RIVER AND BECAME THE FIRST WHITE MAN TO CROSS THE CONTINENT BY LAND NORTH OF MEXICO. WITH MAKENZIE WAS ALEX MACKAY AND A PARTY MADE UP BY THE NORTHWEST COMPANY. MACKENZIE'S TRIP WAS MADE UNDER THE MOST DIFFICULT CONDITIONS AND THE PARTY WAS ENDANGERED BY INDIANS AND BY THE VIOLENT AND TUMULTUOUSNESS OF THE RIVERS DOWN WHICH THEY ATTEMPTED TO CANOE IN AN EFFORT TO REACH THE SEA. MACKENZIE'S FEAT FOLLOWS BY JUST OVER A YEAR THE DISCOVERY OF THE GREAT RIVER, COLUMBIA, BY CAPTAIN ROBERT GRAY OF BOSTON.

JUL 22



THE ASTOR COLUMN, A SPIRAL MONUMENT 125 FEET HIGH UPON WHICH A FRIEZE DEPICTING OREGON HISTORY AROUND ASTORIA IS PAINTED, WAS DEDICATED THIS DAY IN 1926 IN ASTORIA. THE COLUMN WAS BUILT WITH MONEY FROM VINCENT ASTOR AND THE GREAT NORTHERN RAILROAD. AND WAS CONSTRUCTED IN HONOR OF CAPT. ROBERT GRAY, DISCOVERER OF THE COLUMBIA RIVER, LEWIS AND CLARK AND JOHN J. ASTOR, FOUNDER OF THE TOWN OF ASTORIA.

JUL 23



"THE BOISE AND CANYON CITY ROAD IS NOW OPEN TO TRAVEL AT THE FOLLOWING RATES: TOLL FOR WAGON AND SPAN OF HORSES \$2; EACH ADDITIONAL SPAN OF HORSES OR YOKE OF OXEN \$1; MAN AND HORSE 75¢; PACK ANIMALS 50 CENTS EACH."

OREGON STATE JOURNAL
JULY 23, 1864

JUL 24



"WE ARE TOLD THAT GOLD HAS BEEN DISCOVERED WITHIN FIFTEEN MILES WEST OF HILLSBOROUGH, WASHINGTON CO., THAT YIELDS SEVENTEEN CENTS TO THE PAN. THE DISCOVERY WAS MADE BY SOME MEN WHO WERE DIGGING A MILL RACE. DON'T START ALL AT ONCE, WAIT A DAY OR TWO. SOME THIRTY MEN, OLD MINERS, HAVE GONE OUT TO EXAMINE THE DIGGINGS."

OREGONIAN
JULY 24, 1858

JUL 25



MARSHAL ROSS ON THIS AFTERNOON IN 1890 SUCCEEDED IN CAPTURING AND GETTING CONFESSIONS FROM THE BOYS WHO HAD BEEN BURNING BARN IN SALEM IN RECENT MONTHS, EIGHT HAVING BEEN BURNED BY THEM. THE BOYS WERE AGED 9, 12 AND 13. THEY BURNED THE BARN FOR FUN, BEING ANXIOUS TO SEE THE EXCITEMENT OF SEEING THE ENGINES MAKE A RUN. IT WAS DECIDED TO GIVE THE BOYS NO PUNISHMENT, BEING SO YOUNG AND NOT REALIZING THE ENORMITY OF THEIR CRIME, AND THEY WERE GIVEN INTO THE CUSTODY OF THEIR PARENTS FOR PUNISHMENT. THE YOUNGER BOYS SAID THE OLDER HIRED THEM TO DO THE JOBS, PAYING THEM TEN CENTS FOR ONE FIRE, TWENTY FOR ANOTHER AND A WHITE RABBIT FOR THE THIRD.

JUL 26



"THE BUSTLE IS DOOMED AND HAS SUNK INTO OBSCURITY BUT A NEW FASHION HAS REPLACED IT ACCORDING TO FASHION AUTHORITIES. LADIES HAVE TAKEN TO WEARING RUBBER HIPS. THE ADVANTAGE GAINED IS A SMALLER LOOK TO THE WAIST. THE ARTIFICIAL HIP DEVELOPERS ARE INFLATED, AND ONE DRAWBACK IS THE DANGER THAT A PIN WILL PRICK ONE OF THEM CAUSING IT TO DEFLATE ABRUPTLY, LEAVING THE WEARER LOPSIDED. STILL THE LADIES ARE WILLING TO BRAVE THIS RISK IN ORDER TO GAIN A SLENDER-LOOKING WAIST."

OREGONIAN
JULY 26, 1891

JUL 27



THE FIRST SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF AN AUTOMOBILE TRIP BETWEEN NEWPORT AND SILETZ BAY ON THE OREGON COAST WAS REPORTED IN THE FOLLOWING ARTICLE:

"COVERED ABOUT EQUALLY WITH MUD AND GLORY, THE NEWPORT COMMERCIAL CLUB'S FLANDERS '20' PATHFINDER ARRIVED IN NEWPORT AT 6:15 O'CLOCK LAST SUNDAY MORNING, HAVING BEEN 22 HOURS AND 40 MINUTES COVERING 47 MILES OF ROAD."

OREGON JOURNAL
JULY 27, 1912

JUL 28



THE PORTLAND EVENING JOURNAL ESTABLISHED ON MARCH 10, 1902, WAS TAKEN OVER BY C.S. JACKSON ON JULY 28, 1902, AND RECEIVED A NAME CHANGE TO THE OREGON JOURNAL. WITH A POLICY OF "TO BE FREE, FEARLESS AND INDEPENDENT," THE NEWSPAPER TOOK AN EARLY LEAD IN OREGON'S ROAD PROGRAM WITH THE SLOGAN, "GET OREGON OUT OF THE MUD," — A PROGRAM OF LEADERSHIP AMONG WESTERN STATES.

JUL 29



"APPELGADE'S COMPANY LEAVES THE ROCK THIS MORNING. OUR LITTLE COMPANY REMAINS AT ITS FIRST CAMP. CAPTAIN COOPER ASSUMES COMMAND OF THE COMPANY. WE SPENT THE DAY IN DRYING MEET, CLEANING UP OUR WET FIREARMS, MAKING MOCCASINS, ETC. SEVERAL OF OUR MEN ARE OUT HUNTING; OTHERS CAME IN THIS EVENING, AND REPORT THAT THE BUFFALO ARE ALL ON THE MOVE IN THE DIRECTION OF THE YELLOWSTONE RIVER I MOUNT GUARD AS PRIVATE TONIGHT FOR THE FIRST TIME ON THE TRIP."

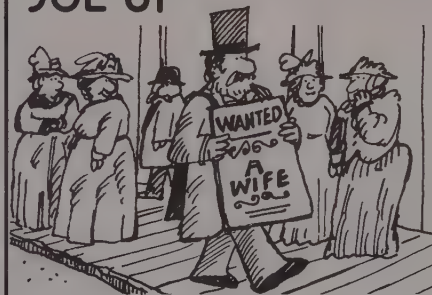
DIARY OF THE EMIGRATION OF 1843
BY JAMES W. NESMITH
EARLY OREGON PIONEER

JUL 30



ON THIS DAY IN 1916 MARGARET SANGER, FOUNDER OF AMERICA'S BIRTH CONTROL MOVEMENT, WAS ARRESTED IN PORTLAND FOR SELLING "OBSCENE" LITERATURE. THE LITERATURE IN QUESTION WAS A BOOKLET, FAMILY LIMITATION, WHICH SUPPORTED AND EXPLAINED BIRTH CONTROL METHODS. MS. SANGER, ON AUGUST 5, WAS FOUND GUILTY AND FINED \$10, WHICH WAS THEN SUSPENDED.

JUL 31



APPEARING IN THE EUGENE GUARD, JULY 31, 1869:

"WANTS A WIFE: A BACHELOR WITHOUT ENCOMBRANCE IS DESIROUS OF OBTAINING A WIFE. SHE MUST BE ACCOMPLISHED, ABLE TO MILK COWS AND PLAY THE PIANO FORTÉ; SHE MUST BE FOND OF CHILDREN, WILLING TO MEND THEIR CLOTHES, AND A GOOD HAND TO RAISE CHICKENS. THE ADVERTISER SCORNS TO MARRY FOR MONEY, BUT IT IS OF THE GREATEST IMPORTANCE THAT THE LADY'S RELATIVES OR FRIENDS FURNISH A WRITTEN CHARACTER OF HER ABILITY AND WORTH, AND AS A TRIFLING MATTER, SAID FRIENDS WOULD ALSO BE REQUESTED TO DEPOSIT \$500 WITH THE ADVERTISER AS A PROOF OF THEIR JUDGEMENT THAT THE LADY IS WHAT SHE SAYS SHE IS. NO WIDOW, GRASS OR OTHERWISE NEED APPLY. ADDRESS: R. S. 40 POST OFFICE, EUGENE CITY."

AUG 1



THE SCHOONER, HONOLULU, DOCKED ON THIS DAY IN 1848 IN PORTLAND. AFTER QUICKLY PURCHASING ALL THE PICKS AND SHOVELS AVAILABLE IN THE TOWN'S TWO HARDWARE STORES, THE SHIP'S CAPTAIN ANNOUNCED THAT GOLD HAD BEEN DISCOVERED IN CALIFORNIA. TWO THIRDS OF OREGON'S MALE POPULATION, INCLUDING THE FUTURE GOVERNOR OF CALIFORNIA, LEFT TO JOIN THE RUSH, BUT NOT BEFORE BUYING OUT THE CAPTAIN'S SUPPLY OF IMPLEMENTS AT SEVERAL TIMES THE ORIGINAL PRICE.

AUG 2



WITH TAMING OF THE SHREW AS THE OPENING VEHICLE, THE OREGON SHAKES-PEAREAN FESTIVAL OPENED THIS NIGHT IN 1937 BEFORE A CROWD OF 700 IN ASH-LAND'S OUTDOOR THEATER. ON AN ORIGINAL ELIZABETHAN STAGE, DIRECTOR ANGUS B. BOWMAN AND HIS COMPANY OF TALENTED YOUNG ACTRS PRESENTED AN AUTHENTIC PRODUCTION OF ONE OF THE BARD'S MOST POPULAR COMEDIES. AMONG THE PLAYERS, ALL OF THEM OUTSTANDING, SPECIAL PRAISE WENT TO ROBERTA NOURSE AS KATHERINE, ROBERT STEDMAN AS A WISY AND ENTHUSIASTIC PETRUCHIO, AND DOREEN LEVERETTE AS A CHARM-INGLY DEMURE BIANCA. THE NEW FESTIVAL, PLANNED AS AN ANNUAL AFFAIR, GOT OFF TO A SUCCESSFUL START, BOTH ARTISTI-CALLY AND FINANCIALLY.

AUG 3



SUNDAY BASEBALL WAS NOT ONLY FROWN-ED UPON BY THE EARLY SETTLERS, BUT WAS DISCOURAGED BY BASEBALL TEAMS, THEMSELVES. THE FOLLOWING ARTI-CAL WAS INSERTED BY THE HIGHLAND BASEBALL CLUB INTO THE OREGON CITY ENTERPRISE, AUG. 3, 1857:

"THE PRACTICE OF PLAYING BALL ON SUNDAY IS NOT ONLY VERY IMMORAL, BUT IT DISTURBS THE PEACE AND QUIET OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD WHEN IT IS PRACTICED.. NAMES OF CLUB MEMBERS WILL BE ERASED FROM BOOKS IF THEY USE THE GROUNDS OR ANY IMPLEMENTS BELONGING TO THE CLUB ON SUNDAY."

AUG 4



"WEDNESDAY AUG THE 4TH TO DAY WE TOOK THE OREGON ROAD LEAVING THE CALIFORNIA ROAD TO THE RIGHT PASSED 6 OR 700 INDIANS GOING TOWARDS BEAR RIVER ONE LIGHT WAGON WITH HUNDREDS OF HORSES OR PONIES SEVERAL SHOWERS OF RAIN PASSED AROUND WITH CONSIDERABLE SHOWER OF HAIL JUST BEFORE US AS IT LAID THICK IN PLACES WHEN WE CAME UP TRAVELED ABOUT 16 MILES TO DAY."

JOURNAL OF WILLIAM CORNELL
AUGUST 4, 1852
OVERLAND JOURNEY FROM OHIO
TO OREGON

AUG 5



"ORDERS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED BY CAPTAIN JOHN J. SELLWOOD, U.S.R. FROM THE WESTERN DEPARTMENT, U.S.A., SAN FRANCISCO, STARTING PORTLAND'S NEW PROVISIONAL AMBULANCE COMPANY ON THE FIRST LEG OF A JOURNEY THAT WILL EVENTUALLY LAND IT 'SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE.' THE COMPANY, WHICH COMPRISES 119 OF OREGON'S FINEST YOUNG MEN, HAS BEEN CALLED INTO ACTIVE SERVICE AND WILL LEAVE PORTLAND MONDAY MORNING, AUGUST 27 FOR CAMP LEWIS, AMERICAN LAKE, WASH., UNDER COMMAND OF CAPTAIN SELLWOOD."

OREGONIAN
AUG. 5, 1906

AUG 6



THE FIRST DOCUMENTED CLIMB OF MT. HOOD MADE ON THIS DAY IN 1867 BY HENRY PITTOCK, PROF. L.J. POWELL, WM. S. BUCKLEY, W. LYMAN CHITTENDEN, AND JAMES G. DEARDORFF. THE ASCENT TOOK 5 1/2 HOURS FROM TIMBERLINE TO THE SUMMIT. PITTOCK REPORTED CLIMBING 30 FT. DOWN INTO ONE OF SEVERAL FUMAROLAS OR STEAM VENTS SEEN DURING THE CLIMB AND OBSERVING HEAVY DEPOSITS OF YELLOW SULPHUR DUST. THE DESCENT TOOK ONLY 2 HOURS. NOTHING WAS SAID ABOUT SUNBURN BUT IT WAS NOT UNUSUAL FOR EARLY CLIMBING PARTIES TO SUFFER FROM BOTH EXTREME BURN AND SNOWBLINDNESS.

AUG 7



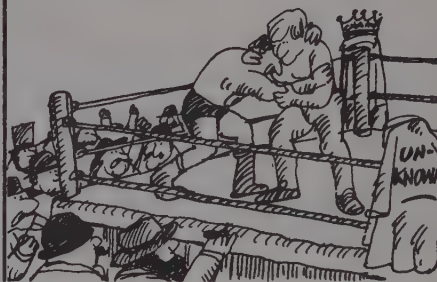
TELEPHONE SERVICE HAD ITS BEGINNING IN PORTLAND ON THIS DAY IN 1878 WHEN A FIFTEEN YEAR OLD OPERATOR, GEORGE THOMAS, WENT INTO THE BACK ROOM OF WESTERN UNION OFFICE AT FIRST AND ANKENY STREETS TO COMPLETE PORTLAND'S FIRST TELEPHONE CALL. THE AMERICAN TELEPHONE DISTRICT TELEGRAM COMPANY HAD ONLY 32 SUBSCRIBERS ON THAT FRIDAY. UNTIL 1884, ALL OF THE OPERATORS EMPLOYED WERE TEEN-AGED BOYS.

AUG 8



THOMAS DRYER, PUBLISHER OF THE WEEKLY OREGONIAN AND FIRST PERSON TO CLIMB MT. ST. HELENS, CLAIMED HE ASCENDED MT. HOOD ON THIS DAY IN 1884. ACCOMPANYING HIM WERE A MAN NAMED WELLS LANE AND AN UNIDENTIFIED INDIAN. DRYER REPORTED 20' TO 50' CONES AT INTERVALS OF A FEW FEET, AND BETWEEN THEM WERE "NUMEROUS HOLES VARYING FROM THE SIZE OF A COMMON WATER BUCKET DOWN TO TWO OR THREE INCHES IN DIAMETER. THROUGH THESE BREATHING HOLES - AS WE SHALL CALL THEM - AND THROUGH THE CREVICES IN THE ROCKS THERE IS CONSTANTLY ESCAPING HOT SMOKE OR GAS OF A STRONG SULPHURIC ODOR." DRYER'S CLAIM OF THE FIRST ASCENT OF THE MOUNTAIN WAS NOT CHALLENGED UNTIL AFTER THE PITTLICK AND PARTY CLIMB THREE YEARS LATER.

AUG 9



SLIPPERS, WHITE TIGHTS, PINK TRUNKS AND POLITE APPLAUSE FROM A CROWD OF 1,500 ACCOMPANIED THE FIRST PROFESSIONAL WRESTLING MATCH IN OREGON ON THIS DAY IN 1883. WORLD CHAMPION DONALD DINNY WAS DEFEATED BY D.A. McMILLAN OF BODIE IN A SEVEN BOUT MATCH WHICH ALTERNATED BETWEEN THREE STYLES OF WRESTLING: GRECO-ROMAN, SCOTCH BACK-HOLD, AND COLLAR AND ELBOW. McMILLAN ENTERED THE MATCH WITH THE NICKNAME, "UNKNOWN."

AUG 10



THIS DATE IN 1872 MARKED THE FIRST PUBLIC PERFORMANCE OF OREGON'S MOST FAMOUS MUSICAL FAMILY IN COPE, UNION COUNTY. THE DEMOSS FAMILY LYRIC BARD, AS THEY WERE CALLED, SOON BECAME THE WEST'S FAVORITE ENTERTAINMENT GROUP AND WERE ENTHUSIASTICALLY WELCOMED AT MANY REMOTE COWTOWNS AND MINING CAMPS AS THEY TOURED THROUGHOUT THE WEST. THE FAMILY, CONSISTING OF REVEREND AND MRS. JAMES DEMOSS AND THEIR FIVE CHILDREN, WROTE MOST OF THEIR OWN SONGS AND PLAYED FORTY-ONE DIFFERENT MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS. WHILE NOT ON CONCERT TOUR IN AMERICA OR EUROPE, THE FAMILY SPENT THEIR SUMMERS ON THE DEMOSS SPRINGS RANCH, IN EASTERN OREGON'S SHERMAN COUNTY.

AUG 11



FAMED AUTHOR JACK LONDON PASSED THROUGH MEDFORD THIS DAY IN 1911 ON HIS WAY TO CRATER LAKE. RIDING WITH HIM IN A WAGON DRAWN BY FOUR HORSES WERE HIS WIFE AND A JAPANESE SERVANT. ON HIS RETURN TRIP TO SAN FRANCISCO A FEW DAYS LATER, HE REMARKED, "CRATER LAKE IS THE GREATEST ASSET TO SOUTHERN OREGON. IT IS WORTH TRAVELING HUNDREDS OF MILES TO SEE. I THOUGHT THAT I HAD GAZED UPON EVERYTHING BEAUTIFUL IN NATURE AS I HAVE SPENT MANY YEARS TRAVELLING THOUSANDS OF MILES TO VIEW THE BEAUTY SPOTS OF THE EARTH, BUT I HAVE REACHED THE CLIMAX. NEVER AGAIN CAN I GAZE UPON THE BEAUTY SPOTS OF THE EARTH AND ENJOY THEM AS BEING THE FINEST THING I HAVE EVER SEEN. CRATER LAKE IS FAR ABOVE THEM ALL."

AUG 12



"AT A DISTANCE OF 4 MILES FURTHER THE ROAD TOOK US TO THE MOST DISTANT FOUNTAIN OF THE MIGHTY MISSOURI IN SEARCH OF WHICH WE HAVE SPENT MANY TOILSOME DAYS AND WRISTLESS NIGHT. THUS FAR I HAD ACCOMPLISHED ONE OF THE GREAT OBJECTS ON WHICH MY MIND HAS BEEN UNALTERABLY FIXED FOR MANY YEARS...THE MOUNTAINS ARE HIGH ON EITHER HAND LEAVE THIS GAP AT THE HEAD OF THIS RIVULET THROUGH WHICH THE ROAD PASSES...WE PROCEEDED ON TO THE TOP OF THE DIVIDING RIDGE...DESCENDED THE MOUNTAIN ABOUT 3/4 OF A MILE WHICH I FOUND MUCH STEEPER THAN ON THE OPPOSITE SIDE, TO A HANDSOME, BOLD RUNNING CREEK OF COLD CLEAR WATER, HERE I FIRST TASTED THE WATER OF THE MIGHTY COLUMBIA RIVER!"

JOURNAL OF CAPT. MERIWETHER LEWIS
AUG. 12, 1805

AUG 13



THIS DATE IN 1848 MARKED THE BEGINNING OF AN ALL-NIGHT SESSION IN THE SENATE IN WHICH THE QUESTION OF OREGON'S ADMITTANCE TO THE UNION AS A TERRITORY WAS HOTLY DEBATED. SOUTHERN SENATORS WERE ESPECIALLY BITTER IN THEIR OPPOSITION BECAUSE OF THE BILL'S ANTI-SLAVERY PROVISION. ON THE FOLLOWING DAY, AUGUST 14, CONGRESS FINALLY PASSED THE BILL, AN "ACT TO ESTABLISH THE TERRITORIAL GOVERNMENT OF OREGON," AND IT WAS SIGNED INTO LAW BY PRESIDENT POLK WHO THEN APPOINTED GENERAL JOSEPH LANE AS GOVERNOR AND JOSEPH L. MEER AS U.S. MARSHALL AS WELL AS NAMING THE SECRETARY, ATTORNEY AND THREE JUSTICES OF THE SUPREME COURT.

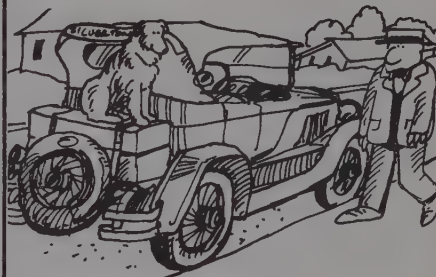
AUG 14



"THAT AFTERNOON (AUG. 14, 1935) A SMALL LOGGER ... FIRED UP (SIC) HIS DONKEY ENGINE TO MOVE A HUGE LOG. THE LOG, GRINDING THROUGH THE DRY WOODS, RUBBED INTO THE SPARK THAT WHELPED THE WORST FOREST FIRE OREGON HAS EVER KNOWN."

SO READ AN AUG. 14, 1958 ARTICLE IN THE OREGON JOURNAL RECOUNTING THE TILAMOOK BURN, A HISTORIC CONFLAGRATION THAT RESULTED IN THE DESTRUCTION OF 311,000 ACRES AND 11,000,000,000 BOARD FEET OF LUMBER, EQUALLING ALL THE TIMBER CUT IN THE ENTIRE U.S. THE PREVIOUS YEAR. ASHES ROSE 40,000 FEET IN THE AIR, PILING UP 2' HIGH ALONG THE NORTHERN OREGON COAST AND FALLING LIKE SNOW IN THE WILLAMETTE VALLEY. TOTAL DAMAGE WAS ESTIMATED AT \$75 MILLION DOLLARS.

AUG 15



IN AUGUST, 1923, FRANK AND ELIZABETH BRAZIER LEFT THEIR HOME IN SILVERTON FOR A VACATION BY CAR BACK EAST. WITH THEM WAS THEIR PET COLLIE, BOBBIE. ON AUGUST 15, BOBBIE WAS LOST IN WOLCOTT, INDIANA. A LARGE SEARCH EFFORT WAS MADE, BUT WITH NO SUCCESS. EXACTLY SIX MONTHS LATER ON FEBRUARY 15, 1924, BOBBIE APPEARED IN SILVERTON--THIN, EXHAUSTED AND IN PAIN, BUT ALIVE AFTER AN INCREDIBLE 3,000 MILE JOURNEY. "SILVERTON BOBBIE" AS HE BECAME KNOWN, WAS SOON FEATURED IN RIPLEY'S BELIEVE IT OR NOT, PLAYED THE STARRING ROLE IN THE MOVIE, BOBBIE THE WONDER DOG, HAD A BOOK WRITTEN ABOUT HIM AND WAS INVESTIGATED BY PSYCHICS AND CLAIRVOYANTS FROM FOUR CONTINENTS.

AUG 16



"WE LEFT UPPER OR LOWER SODA, I DO NOT KNOW WHICH, AND TRAVELED ALL DAY UNTIL NEARLY DARK OVER THE SLIPPERYEST AND MUDDIEST ROADS AND UP AND DOWN HILL ALL DAY... WE PULLED INTO THE RANCH TONIGHT AT DUSK AND HAD TO EAT SUPPER WITH A CANDLELIGHT. WE WERE ALL WET AND COLD AND CRANKY SO AS SOON AS WE ATE OUR SUPPER WE CLIMBED UP IN THE HAY AND WENT TO SLEEP..."

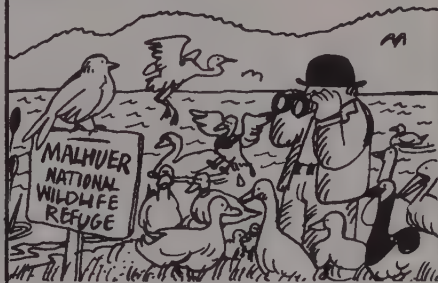
FROM THE DIARY OF MAE STONE
PUTNAM SNEEDON COMING OVER
THE SANTIAM PASS AT THE
AGE OF 12 IN A COVERED WAGON,
AUG. 16, 1898.

AUG 17



THE CORNERSTONE OF THE NEW BUILDING OF THE STATE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE WAS LAID, ON THE COLLEGE FARM NEAR THE CITY OF CORVALLIS, THIS DAY IN 1887, BY THE GRAND LODGE OF A.F. & A.M. OF OREGON. GOVERNOR PENNOYER AND SUPERINTENDENT MEELOY, OF THE STATE OFFICERS, AND JUDGE STRAHAN OF THE SUPREME COURT, AND A LARGE NUMBER OF DISTINGUISHED CITIZENS FROM OTHER PARTS OF THE STATE WERE PRESENT. HON. H.P. EARHART, AS PROXY FOR THE GRAND MASTER, CONDUCTED THE CEREMONIES.

AUG 18



BY EXECUTIVE ORDER OF PRESIDENT THEODORE ROOSEVELT, THE MALHEUR NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE WAS ESTABLISHED ON THIS DAY IN 1908. SETTING ASIDE 93,155 ACRES WITH 95,000 ADDED SINCE THEN, THIS REFUGE, ONE OF THE COUNTRY'S LARGEST WATERFOWL NESTING GROUNDS, HAS RECORDED MORE THAN 230 SPECIES OF BIRDS AND IS THE HABITAT FOR OVER 100 SPECIES OF MAMMALS. INCLUDED IN THE REFUGE ARE MALHEUR, MUD AND HARNEY LAKES, PETE FRENCH'S RANCH AND THE BLITZEN VALLEY.

AUG 19



LT. JAMES BIDDLE, IN 1853, MADE THIS DATE NOTEWORTHY BY RE-CLAIMING THE COLUMBIA RIVER AND ADJACENT TERRITORY FOR THE UNITED STATES. ARRIVING WITH ORDERS TO "RE-OCCUPY ASTORIA OR PORT GEORGE" IN THE SHIP OF WAR ONTARIO, BIDDLE FOUND THE BRITISH CON-GLIATORY, CONCEDING REPOSSESSION OF ASTORIA WITH NO RESISTANCE.

AUG 20



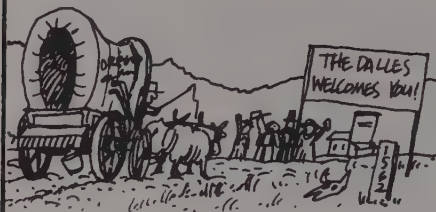
A MEETING OF FORMER WHIG OR AMERICAN PARTY MEMBERS MET THIS DAY IN 1856 AND FORMED THE NEW RE-PUBLICAN PARTY OF OREGON WITH EX-PRESSED OPPOSITION TO SLAVERY IN THE TERRITORY. THEIR PLATFORM READ, "RESOLVED, THAT WE FLING OUR BAN-NER TO THE BREEZE, INSCRIBED FREE SPEECH, FREE LABOR, FREE PRESS AND FREMONT." THE "FREE STATE REPUBLICAN PARTY OF OREGON" MEM-BERS WERE SOON DUBBED "BLACK RE-PUBLICANS." WITH THE BACKING OF THE OREGONIAN, THE PARTY GREW IN STATURE AND WAS ONE OF THE DECID-ING VOTES IN THE NOMINATION OF ABRAHAM LINCOLN IN 1860 AND HIS SUBSEQUENT ELECTION.

AUG 21



ON THIS DAY IN 1950 SWEDE RAL-STON FLEW THROUGH A DIRIGIBLE HANG-AR AT THE TILLAMOOK NAVAL AIR STATION IN A N.A. AT-6A AIRPLANE (1650 HP PRATT-WHITNEY ENGINE) AT AN ALTITUDE OF 50 FEET AND A SPEED OF 250 M.P.H. WHILE FLYING THROUGH THE HANGAR, HE DID A ROLL AND EMERGED AT THE OTHER END UPSIDE DOWN.

AUG 22



THE INFUX OF SETTLERS TO OREGON, FOLLOWING THE SETTLEMENT OF THE BOUNDARY DISPUTE WITH GREAT BRITAIN IN 1846, COMMENCED THIS DATE IN 1847 WITH THE ARRIVAL OF THE FIRST GROUP OF IMMIGRANTS TO THE DALLES.

AUG 23



ON AUG. 23, 1947, A GROUP OF NINE YOUNG CLIMBERS ASCENDED MT. HODGE SOUTH SIDE ROUTE AND AFTER REACHING THE SUMMIT, THEY PULLED BICYCLE PARTS FROM THEIR PACKS, ASSEMBLED IT, AND RODE THE BIKES AROUND THE SUMMIT OF THE MOUNTAIN. EACH PERSON HAD A TURN ON THE BICYCLE BEFORE IT WAS DISASSEMBLED AND PACKED AWAY FOR THE DESCENT.

AUG 24



PLANS FOR CONSTRUCTING A BLAST FURNACE AND IRON FOUNDRY AT OSWEGO WERE FORMULATED IN 1865. OPERATION, USING LOCALLY MINED ORE AND CHARCOAL FOR FUEL, BEGAN IN 1867 AND ON AUG. 24, THE FIRST IRON ORE WAS PRODUCED BY THE OSWEGO IRON COMPANY. TWO PIES WERE CAST FOR J.W. TRULLINGER TO BE USED AS STREET MARKERS. ONE IS STILL AT THE CORNER OF LADD AND DURHAM IN LAKE OSWEGO AND THE OTHER IS OWNED BY THE OREGON HISTORICAL SOCIETY. THE OPERATION CONTINUED, WITH INTERMITTENT SHUT-DOWNS, UNTIL 1900. FINALLY, IN 1929 THE FURNACES AND FOUNDRY WERE DISMANTLED.

AUG 25



ON THIS DAY IN 1845, A LARGE PARTY OF SETTLERS CROSSING THE PLAINS. TO THE OREGON COUNTRY LEFT THE ESTABLISHED TRAIL AND TRAVELLED ALONG THE PREVIOUSLY UNTREKKED MALHVER RIVER. IN THE WEEKS THAT FOLLOWED, THE GROUP STUMBLED UPON A SPRING IN WHICH SHINING YELLOW PEBBLES WERE FOUND. SOME OF THESE PEBBLES WERE THROWN INTO A BLUE BUCKET CARRIED BY ONE OF THE IMMIGRANTS BUT WERE LATER LOST. IT WAS NOT UNTIL THREE YEARS LATER WHEN GOLD WAS DISCOVERED IN CALIFORNIA THAT THIS INCIDENT WAS RECALLED BY SOME OF THE PARTY AND THUS BEGAN THE ENDLESS SEARCH FOR THE MYTHICAL BLUE BUCKET MINE, RESULTING IN THE DISCOVERY OF GOLD, BUT IN OTHER LOCATIONS.

AUG 26



THE SOLITARY HORSEMAN, THE MAN WITH THE EMBROIDERED AND WAVING LENGTH OF IRON-GRAY HAIR, COLONEL "BUFFALO BILL" LODY ARRIVED IN PORTLAND ON THIS DAY IN 1902. THIS MARKED THE FIRST INTRODUCTION OF BUFFALO BILL'S WILD WEST SHOW TO OREGON. THE WESTERN HERO WITH HIS "AGGREGATION OF VIRILE MANHOOD," THRILLED PORTLAND RESIDENTS WITH A MORNING PRE-SHOW PARADE THROUGH DOWNTOWN STREETS. HIS WILD WEST SHOW GAVE FOUR RECORD-BREAKING PERFORMANCES, WHICH ALL INCLUDED BUFFALO BILL IN THE SADDLE.

AUG 27



ON THIS DAY IN 1841, THE STAR OF OREGON, FIRST OCEAN-GOING VESSEL BUILT IN OREGON, LEFT OREGON CITY FOR TWO WEEKS OF PRACTICE RUNS ON THE RIVER BEFORE DEPARTING FOR SAN FRANCISCO WHERE THE "CAPTAIN," JOSEPH GALE, HOPED TO TRADE OR SELL THE SCHOONER FOR CATTLE BADLY NEEDED IN OREGON. THE SHIP LEFT FOR CALIFORNIA IN SEPTEMBER AND THE CREW OF FIVE INEXPERIENCED MEN IN ADDITION TO AN INDIAN BOY BECAME SO SEASICK THAT GALE, WHO WAS ACTUALLY A MOUNTAINEER, WAS STUCK AT THE HELM FOR 36 HOURS STRAIGHT. HIS PLAN WORKED, THOUGH, AND THE SHIP WAS SOLD FOR 1,250 CATTLE, 600 HORSES AND MULES, AND 3,000 SHEEP. GALE EVEN TALKED 42 CALIFORNIANS INTO HELPING DRIVE THE STOCK BACK TO OREGON.

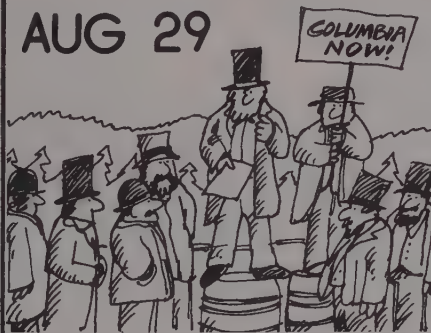
AUG 28



AFTER PAYING THE LINDSAY APPLEGATE FAMILY 50¢ (25¢ A PIECE), TWO HORSE-MEN BECAME THE FIRST CUSTOMERS ON THE GISKIYOU TOLL ROAD THIS DAY IN 1859. THE RATE OVER THE GISKIYOU MOUNTAINS BROUGHT IN \$3,738 FOR THE YEAR OF 1864--A NICE YEARLY TOTAL IN THOSE DAYS. THE APPLEGATES SOLD THE TOLL ROAD PRIVILEGES TO JAMES THORNTON IN 1871, AND THORNTON, IN TURN, SOLD IT TO THE THIRD AND FINAL OWNERS, THE DOLLARHIDE FAMILY. IN 1913, JACKSON COUNTY BOUGHT THE TOLL ROAD RIGHTS FROM THE DOLLAR-HIDES FOR \$1600. THE ROAD IS PRESENTLY PART OF THE PACIFIC HIWAY.

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AUG 29



ON THIS DAY IN 1851, JOHN B. CHAPMAN, THE FOURTH OF JULY ORATOR AT OLYMPIA IN 1851, GAVE A FIERCE SPEECH AT A CONVENTION HELD AT COWLITZ LANDING WHICH IGNITED THE FIRST SPARK IN THE MOVEMENT TO DIVIDE WASHINGTON FROM THE OREGON TERRITORY. IN 1853 WASHINGTON GAINED TERRITORIAL STATUS WHEN PRESIDENT FILLMORE SIGNED THE BILL, MARCH 2. THE NAME WAS ORIGINALLY TO BE COLUMBIA, BUT THE HOUSE CHANGED IT TO WASHINGTON. THE SENATE ATTEMPTED TACKLING ON AN AMENDMENT NAMING THE TERRITORY WASHINGTONIA TO AVOID CONFESSION WITH WASHINGTON, D.C. IN THE MAILS, BUT THIS FAILED AS WELL.

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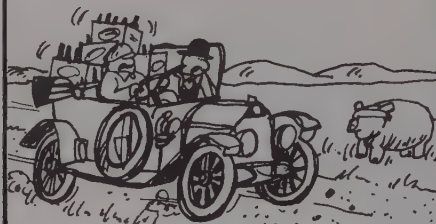
AUG 30



THE FOLLOWING REMARKS ABOUT EARLY, IN
NORTHEAST SHERMAN COUNTY, WERE WRIT-
TEN BY GILES FRENCH TO LEWIS A. MEARTHUR
IN 1946:

"EARLY WAS A POST OFFICE ON THE NORTH
LINE OF TOWNSHIP TWO NORTH JUST WEST OF
JOHN DAY RIVER. AT EARLY THERE WAS A
FLOUR MILL WHERE EARLY-DAY FARMERS
OBTAINED THEIR BREAD-STUFF, AND I AM
TOLD THE NAME WAS GIVEN THE NAME BE-
CAUSE GARDEN SASS BECAME EDIBLE EAR-
LY WHEN GROWN THERE...IT WOULD BE A
QUIET AND PEACEFUL SPOT IN WHICH TO
RETURN FROM THE CARES OF THE WORLD,
THE TELEPHONES, THE RUSSIANS, BUR-
EAUCRACY, RADIO, U.N. R. R. A., THE
SHIPS AND SCORNS OF TIME, THE UNWOR-
THY SPURNS THAT PATIENT MERIT TAKES."
THE POST OFFICE AT EARLY WAS DISCON-
TINUED AUGUST 30, 1919.

AUG 31



ANOTHER CRACK-DOWN AGAINST IL-
LICIT LIQUOR DEALING IN OREGON OC-
CURRED THIS MORNING IN 1912 WHEN
GOVERNOR WEST SERVED FORMAL NO-
TICE TO ALL DEALERS AND COMMON
CARRIERS TO THE EFFECT THAT THEY
WOULD BE HELD DIRECTLY RESPONSIBLE
FOR SALES TO "BLIND PIGS", DISORDERLY
HOUSES AND OTHER PLACES WHICH
HAVE BECOME NUISANCES. COM-
MON CARRIERS WERE ALSO NOTIFIED
THAT THEY WILL BE HELD CIVILLY AND
CRIMINALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR TRANS-
PORTING LIQUOR OF ANY KIND TO DRY
COUNTIES, IN VIOLATION OF THE LAW.

SEP 1



NEARLY 20,000 MEMBERS OF VARIOUS ORE-
GON TRADE UNIONS MARCHED THROUGH
DOWNTOWN PORTLAND THIS MORNING IN
1919. MARCHERS, REPRESENTING ORGAN-
IZED LABOR, CARRIED BANNERS URGING
ADOPTION OF THE PLUMB PLAN FOR JOINT
OWNERSHIP OF RAILROADS BY EMPLOYEES,
OPERATORS AND THE FEDERAL GOVERN-
MENT, AND DEMANDING THE IMMEDI-
ATE WITHDRAWAL OF U.S. TROOPS
FROM RUSSIA. EX-SERVICEMEN IN VAR-
IOUS UNIFORMS WERE PROMINENT IN
THE ENORMOUS PARADE.

SEP 2



"THE INDUSTRIAL STATION OF O.R. & N.
AT BLALOCK IS WELL PLEASED WITH
THEIR EXPERIMENTS IN THE GROWING OF
TOBACCO, AND FROM PRESENT INDICA-
TIONS IT WILL ONLY BE A FEW YEARS UN-
TILL THIS WILL BE AN IMPORTANT IN-
DUSTRY. IN 1869 WHILE MARCHING
THROUGH GRAND RONDE VALLEY, COL.
GEO. B. LURRY FILLED HIS PIPE FROM
TOBACCO GROWN HERE AND WELL RE-
MEMBERED THE EXTRAORDINARY
STRENGTH IT CONTAINED. IF PROPER-
LY CULTIVATED IT MIGHT MAKE A COM-
MERCIAL ARTICLE."

EASTERN OREGON OBSERVER
SEPT. 2, 1898

SEP 3



IT WAS REPORTED ON THIS DAY IN 1902 THAT:

"ASTORIA COMMERCIAL FISHERMEN HAVE REFUSED TO ACCEPT A ONE-CENT PER POUND RATE FOR FALL SALMON AND NOW IT APPEARS THAT ONLY TWO CANNERIES WILL OPERATE, THE MEWLER CANNERY AT BROOKFIELD AND THE COLUMBIA RIVER PACKERS' COMBINE, AND THAT THERE WILL BE FORCED TO DEPEND UPON THEIR OWN GEAR FOR FISH. THE FISHERMEN HAVE GIVEN OUT THAT THEY WILL NOT ACCEPT LESS THAN TWO CENTS A POUND FOR FISH AND FAILING TO RECEIVE THAT PRICE WILL NOT TAKE THEIR BOAT OUT."

SEP 4



THE FOLLOWING UNUSUAL WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT WAS PUBLISHED IN THE HAWK EYE, SEPT. 4, 1873:

"MARRIED: AT EUGENE CITY, SEPT. 12, 1872, BY T. J. HOLLAND, J.P., MR. ELISHA GREE AND MISS MARY JONES, ALL OF LANE COUNTY, OREGON.
NO CARDS. NO CAKE. NO HAPPINESS."

SEP 5



THE OREGON TERRITORIAL LEGISLATURE PASSED AN ACT ON SEPTEMBER 5, 1849, DESIGNED TO SET UP A FREE SYSTEM OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS, CREATE A COMMON SCHOOL FUND, AND LEVY A TAX FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE COMMON SCHOOLS. THE BILL ALSO PROVIDED FOR THE BIENNIAL ELECTION OF A SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT BY THE LEGISLATURE. EACH COUNTY WOULD BE DIVIDED INTO SCHOOL DISTRICTS BY A SCHOOL COMMISSIONER APPOINTED FOR THAT COUNTY, AND TEACHERS WOULD BE REQUIRED TO OBTAIN CERTIFICATES OF QUALIFICATION AND GOOD MORAL CHARACTER.

SEP 6



THE OPENING OF THE WAR IN EUROPE BY GERMANY'S UNEXPECTED INVASION INTO POLAND ON THIS DAY IN 1939 CAUSED A FLURRY OF PANIC BUYING AMONG OREGON HOUSEWIVES. STORED OWNERS OVER THE ENTIRE STATE, REPORTED A HEAVY RUN ON SUGAR, FLOUR, COFFEE AND CANNED GOODS DESPITE REASSURANCES FROM THE FOOD INDUSTRY THAT AMPLE STOCKS WERE ON HAND. A RESULT OF THE HEAVY BUYING CAUSED THE PRICE OF SUGAR TO ADVANCE \$1.00 PER HUNDRED-POUND JACK AND FLOUR BY 40¢ A BARREL.

SEP 7



"SUNDAY, 7th. IN THE MORNING, THE CALADDAH, A SMALL SAIL BOAT, CAME ALONG SIDE FROM SHORE, BRINGING VEGETABLES AND BEEF FOR THE (BIG) CHENAMUS. WITH HER, I EXPECTED KANA, MY HAWAIIAN, BUT HE HAD ABSLONDED DURING THE NIGHT, CHOOSING RATHER TO REMAIN IN OREGON THAN TO GO BACK TO HIS NATIVE ISLAND."

REV. GUSTAVUS HINES RECORDING HIS DEPARTURE FROM THE OREGON TERRITORY TO THE SANDWICH ISLANDS (HAWAII) ON SEPT. 7, 1845.

SEP 8



OREGON CELEBRATED ITS CONNECTION BY RAIL WITH THE REST OF THE UNION THIS DAY IN 1864 WHEN NORTHERN PACIFIC'S LAST SPIKE WAS DRIVEN AT DEER LODGE, MONTANA. THE PERSON TO WHOM CREDIT SHOULD BE GIVEN FOR COMPLETION OF THIS ROAD WAS HENRY VILLARD, WHOSE GENIUS AND PERSEVERANCE SUCCEEDED WHERE OTHERS BEFORE HIM HAD FAILED. THE CITY OF PORTLAND, ALREADY THE METROPOLIS OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST WITH A POPULATION OF NEARLY 40,000, WAS ESPECIALLY JUBILANT SINCE THE RAIL CONNECTION MADE BUSINESS PROSPECTS LOOM EVEN BRIGHTER.

SEP 9



"HOW DEPOE BAY WAS NAMED—

THERE IS NO TARRYING PLACE ON THE OREGON COASTLINE MORE POPULAR WITH MOTORISTS THAN IS DEPOE BAY. IT IS AN ASTONISHMENT, THE SECRET LITTLE HARBOR, SHELTERED BY FOREST AND SEA CLIFF, WITH ITS NARROW GREEN WATER CHANNEL TO THE THUNDERING OCEAN.

THIS LINCOLN COUNTY SMALL-CRAFT HARBOR WAS NAMED FOR ONE OF THE ORIGINAL PROPRIETORS OF THE OREGON COUNTRY... WILLIAM DEPOE WAS A SILETZ INDIAN... THE WIFE OF WILLIAM DEPOE WAS MATILDA, OF THE SILETZ PEOPLE, AND TO THESE TWIN, NEARLY SEVENTY YEARS AGO, THE GREAT WHITE FATHER ALLOTTED CERTAIN LANDS AROUND AND ABOUT THE SECRET BAY."

OREGONIAN
SEPT. 9, 1936
BY BEN HUR LAMPMAN

SEP 10



THE U.S. SCHOONER SHARK, WHILE ATTEMPTING TO SAIL OUT IN THE MOUTH OF THE COLUMBIA, WRECKED, THIS DAY IN 1846. CANNON BEACH IS NAMED FOR THE CANNON, OR CANNONADE THAT WASHED ASHORE HERE IN THE WEEKS FOLLOWING THE WRECK. A PORTION OF THE SHIP'S HULL, WITH MOUNTED GUNS, CAME ASHORE FIVE MILES SOUTH OF ECOLA POINT. A SINGLE CANNON WAS DRAGGED ABOVE HIGH WATER WHERE IT LAY FOR YEARS, GIVING THE BEACH AREA ITS NAME.

SEP 11



"THE CHIEF, (ALIKUT BY NAME) WHO HAD JOINED US AT OUR OTHER ENCAMPMENT, AND HAD PURSUED THIS DAY'S JOURNEY IN COMPANY, HAD PITCHED HIS TENT SOME THREE HUNDRED YARDS IN THE REAR OF OUR CAMP. IN THE EVENING... A CONVERSATION SPRUNG UP BETWEEN THE OLD CHIEF AND MYSELF, IN WHICH HE TOOK OCCASION TO ASK ME IF I WERE A CHRISTIAN... OF COURSE I ANSWERED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE... ON MY RETURN TO OUR CAMP, SOME OF OUR PARTY PROPOSED WE SHOULD WHILE AWAY AN HOUR OR SO, IN A GAME OF CARDS, WHICH WAS READILY ASSENTED TO. WE HAD BUT ENGAGED IN OUR AMUSEMENT... WHEN OLD CHIEF ALIKUT MADE HIS APPEARANCE... AND GENTLY TAKING ME BY THE ARM, SAID, 'CAPTAIN--CAPTAIN--NO GOOD; NO GOOD'... I INWARDLY RESOLVED TO ABANDON CARD PLAYING FOREVER."

JOEL PALMER'S JOURNAL—
SEPT. 11, 1843

SEP 12



AT THE TIME WHEN BEAVER COINS WERE IN CIRCULATION, PRICES WERE VERY HIGH AS ILLUSTRATED IN A PRICE LIST THAT APPEARED IN A SEPT. 12, 1850 EDITION OF THE OREGON SPECTATOR:

DRIED APPLES	75¢ PER POUND
DRIED PEACHES	\$1.00 PER POUND
FLOUR	\$7.50 PER HUNDRED
OR:	\$15 PER BARREL
WHEAT	\$1.50 PER BUSHEL
BROWN SUGAR	.30 PER POUND
LOAF SUGAR	.75 PER POUND
EGGS	.50 PER DOZEN
SALT	\$6.00 PER HUNDRED POUNDS

SEP 13



IN EUGENE A SMALL GROUP OF RESIDENTS, MOSTLY MEMBERS OF A LOCAL PATRIOTIC LEAGUE, BURNED NEARLY \$1,000 WORTH OF SAN FRANCISCO EXAMINERS THIS DAY IN 1918. THE PREVIOUS NIGHT, THE BAND OF PATRIOTS DESTROYED SEVERAL HEARST MAGAZINE PUBLICATIONS TO THE LUSTY CHEERS OF SEVERAL HUNDRED SPECTATORS WHO JOINED IN SINGING, "KEEP THE HOME FIRES BURNING." THE MAGAZINES AND PAPERS WERE BURNED BECAUSE OF STRONG FEELINGS TOWARD THE ALLEGED DISLOYALTY OF WILLIAM RANDOLPH HEARST ON THE PART OF EUGENE NEWSDEALERS AND SEVERAL CITIZENS.

SEP 14



ON SEPTEMBER 14, 1927, CHARLES "LINDY" LINDBERGH MADE A TRIUMPHAL TOUR THROUGH PORTLAND. HIS WELCOME INCLUDED A PARADE, A BANQUET AT THE OLD MULTNOMAH HOTEL AND A RADIO BROADCAST TO CHILDREN. ACCORDING TO THE OREGON JOURNAL, HIS RECEPTION WAS, "THE GREATEST PORTLAND HAS EVER ACCORDED ANYONE." BEFORE THE "LONE EAGLE'S" DEPARTURE TWO DAYS LATER, LOCAL MECHANIC DANNY GRECO FIXED A HOLE IN THE SPIRIT'S ELEVATOR, APPARENTLY TORN BY A STICK KICKED UP DURING THE LANDING ON THE SWAN ISLAND RUNWAY WHICH WAS UNSURFACED AND UNMARKED THEN. ON LINDY'S FLIGHT SOUTH, HE DROPPED LEAFLETS OVER EUGENE AND OTHER POINTS READING: "GREETINGS FROM LINDBERGH."

SEP 15



COMMENCING THIS DAY IN 1860, THE CALIFORNIA STAGE COMPANY OFFERED DAILY SERVICE BETWEEN PORTLAND AND SACRAMENTO, A DISTANCE OF 710 MILES, MAKING IT THE SECOND LONGEST STAGE ROUTE IN THE ENTIRE COUNTRY. TAKING SIX DAYS AND SEVEN HOURS, THE PASSAGE REQUIRED 28 COACHES, 30 STAGE WAGONS, 35 DRIVERS, AND DISTRICT AGENTS, HOSTLERS, HORSES, FEED AND EQUIPMENT TO PROPORTION. IN ALL, 60 STATIONS EXISTED ALONG THE NEW ROUTE.

SEP 16



"ARRIVED AT FORT VANCOUVER AT 3 O'CLOCK, FOUND THE GOVERNOR AND OTHER GENTLEMEN CONNECTED WITH THE FORT ON SHORE AWAITING OUR ARRIVAL, AND CONDUCTED US TO THE FORT AND GAVE US FOOD, WHICH WAS VERY ACCEPTABLE, AS WE HAD EATEN OUR LAST FOR BREAK-FAST... OUR BAGGAGE WAS BROUGHT AND PUT INTO A SPACIOUS ROOM WITHOUT CONSULTING US AND THE ROOM ASSIGNED FOR OUR USE... THE DINNER WAS GOOD AND SERVED IN AS GOOD STYLE AS ANY GENTLEMAN'S HOUSE IN THE EAST... AFTER DINNER TOOK A TURN IN THE GARDEN AND WAS ASTONISHED TO FIND IT IN SUCH A HIGH STATE OF CULTIVATION."

JASON LEE'S DIARY
SEPT. 16, 1834

SEP 17



UNDER THE PROVISION OF A WILL LEFT BY SIMON REED TO HIS WIDOW, REED COLLEGE WAS FOUNDED THIS DAY IN 1911. REED INSTITUTE, AS IT WAS FIRST CALLED, OPENED WITH 6 INSTRUCTORS AND 50 STUDENTS SELECTED FROM 150 APPLICANTS. THE ENDOWMENT OF 3 MILLION DOLLARS AND 46 ACRES PLUS AN ADDITIONAL 40 ACRES FROM MR. WM. LADD CREATED A SCHOOL WHERE THE ARTS, MUSIC, LITERATURE, SCIENCE AND ALLIED COURSE COULD BE LEARNED FREE OF "SECTARIAN INFLUENCE." THE INSTITUTE'S PRESIDENT, WM. TRUFANT FOSTER, INAUGURATED A SYSTEM OF "SELF GOVERNMENT AND STUDENT COUNCIL" AND ENCOURAGED STUDENTS TO EXAMINE ISSUES FROM ALL SIDES.

SEP 18



DURING OREGON'S EARLY DAYS IT WAS NOT UNCOMMON FOR SOME EMIGRANTS TO ARRIVE PRACTICALLY PENNILESS. CONCERN FOR THEIR PLIGHT WAS NOT ABSENT AMONG ESTABLISHED SETTLERS AND ON THIS DAY IN 1852, NOTED OREGON PIONEER JAMES FAIRLIE PRESIDED OVER A MEETING IN PORTLAND TO RAISE MONEY FOR THESE DESTITUTE NEWCOMERS.

SEP 19



THE OPENING OF THE FAMED PENDLETON ROUND-UP ON THIS DAY IN 1924 WAS ACCOMPANIED BY MORE EXCITEMENT THAN USUAL AS TERRIFIC GALE STRUCK, CAUSING WILD HORSES TO BECOME EVEN WILDER, UNSEATING FAMED RIDERS IN SHORT FASHION, AND MAKING IT IMPOSSIBLE TO BULL-DOG WILD STEERS. A BLIND-FOLDED HORSE LEPT INTO THE BLEACHERS AND A 60 FOOT TOWER FROM WHICH MOVIES WERE TO BE FILMED BLEW DOWN. THE ATTENDANCE WAS 25,000 IN A POURING RAIN.

SEP 20



"PASSING DOWN FRONT STREET YESTERDAY WE DISCOVERED A NEW BRICK PAVEMENT IN FRONT OF S. COFFIN'S NEW BUILDING. SUCH INNOVATIONS UPON THE LONG ESTABLISHED CUSTOMS OF THE COUNTRY (VIZ: ENJOYING THE FREEDOM OF WADING THROUGH MUD-HOLES ALONG OUR STREETS) IS AN OUTRAGE UPON ALL USAGES. WE SHOULD NOT WONDER IF SOME OTHERS SHOULD ASPIRE TO FOLLOW THIS ARISTOCRATIC CUSTOM AND THEREBY INDUCE MEN TO BLACK THEIR BOOTS ONCE A WEEK."

OREGONIAN
SEPT. 20, 1851

SEP 21



"MY FRIENDS, MY NAME IS IN-MU-TOO-YAH-LAT-LAT (THUNDER TRAVELING OVER THE MOUNTAIN). I HAVE BEEN ASKED TO SHOW YOU MY HEART. I AM GLAD TO HAVE A CHANCE TO DO SO NOW. I WANT THE WHITE MAN TO UNDERSTAND MY PEOPLE...

IF THE WHITE MAN WANTS TO LIVE IN PEACE WITH THE INDIANS, HE CAN LIVE IN PEACE. THERE NEED BE NO TROUBLE. TREAT ALL MEN ALIKE. GIVE ALL THE SAME LAW. GIVE THEM AN EVEN CHANCE TO LIVE AND GROW. ALL MEN WERE MADE BY THE SAME GREAT SPIRIT. CHIEF. THEY ARE ALL BROTHERS. THE EARTH IS THE MOTHER OF ALL PEOPLE, AND ALL PEOPLE SHOULD HAVE THE SAME RIGHTS."

FROM SPEECH BY CHIEF JOSEPH WHO DIED SEPT. 21, 1904 AT HIS LONELY PLACE OF EXILE AT NESPELEM ON THE COLVILLE INDIAN RESERVATION, WASH.

SEP 22



ON THIS DAY IN 1888, THE SKIDMORE FOUNTAIN, ACKNOWLEDGED AS AN EXQUISITE WORK OF ART, WAS DEDICATED. THE FOUNTAIN, AT THE INTERSECTION OF S.W. FIRST AND PINE STREET IN PORTLAND, HONORS THE MEMORY OF STEPHEN G. SKIDMORE, AN EARLY PHARMACIST IN PORTLAND, WHOSE WILL PROVIDED \$5,000 FOR A PUBLIC FOUNTAIN AT THAT LOCATION. DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE FOUNTAIN WAS DONE BY THE SCULPTOR CLIN WARNER. THE BALANCE OF ITS \$10,000 COST WAS DONATED BY FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES OF SKIDMORE.

SEP 23



ON THIS DAY IN 1861, AARON ROSE TRADED A HORSE FOR A LAND CLAIM AT THE JUNCTION OF DEER CREEK AND THE UMPQUA RIVER. HERE HE TRADED IN HORSES, FARMED AND OPERATED THREE BUSINESSES, A GENERAL STORE, HOTEL AND BUTCHER SHOP. ON HIS FARM HE LAID OUT THE TOWN OF ROSEBURG WHICH WAS NAMED THE COUNTY SEAT OF DOUGLAS COUNTY ON MARCH 9, 1864, BY A VOTE OF THE PEOPLE. PRIOR TO THE BALLOTING, THE VOTERS WERE LAVISHLY ENTERTAINED BY MR. ROSE.

SEP 24



IN THE FALL OF 1893, FOURTEEN YEAR OLD ERSKINE WOOD, SON OF THE BRILLIANT OREGON AUTHOR, SCHOLAR AND LAWYER, CHARLES ERSKINE SCOTT WOOD, SPENT TWO AND A HALF MONTHS WITH CHIEF JOSEPH ON THE NESPELEM RIVER, IN THE SMALL VALLEY OF THAT NAME ON THE COLVILLE INDIAN RESERVATION IN THE STATE OF WASHINGTON. DURING THIS VISIT, YOUNG WOOD KEPT A DIARY AND THE FOLLOWING IS AN EXCERPT FROM THAT DIARY, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24:

"WENT DOWN TO MY TRAPS AND WHEN I GOT BACK AND WE HAD LUNCH JOSEPH AND HIS WIFE WENT TO A FUNERAL AND COOL-COOL-SMOOL-MOOL AND SOME OTHER BOYS AND I WENT DOWN TO THE RACES BUT BEFORE THEY COMMENCED WE GOT WORD FROM JOSEPH TO COME HOME AND SO DID NOT SEE THEM."

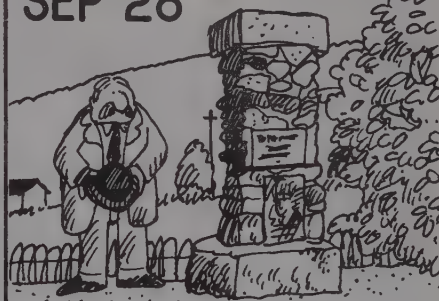
SEP 25



"SUNDAY--WE STARTED EARLY--THE ROAD FINE BUT STONY & THE DEFILE LONG. I EXPECTED THIS RIDGE OF THE MOUNTAINS DIVIDE THE MISSOURI & COLUMBIA WATERS BUT I AM MISTAKEN AS THE WATERS HERE AGAIN DISCHARGE IN THE MISSOURI IT MAY APPEAR STRANGE BUT THE COLOUR OF THE MISSOURI WATERS ARE WHITE & MUDDY & THOSE OF THE COLUMBIA PERFECTLY CLEAR. IT WAS PAST MID DAY WHEN WE CROSSED OVER WHEN WE ENCAMPED IN A FINE PLANE COVERED WITH BUFFALO AND ALL HANDS IN PURSUIT...COURSE SOUTH. DIS 12 MILES."

JOURNAL OF PETER SKENE OLDEN
SEPTEMBER 25, 1825

SEP 26



ON SEPT. 26, 1926, A MONUMENT WHERE TUEKA-KAS, OR OLD CHIEF JOSEPH, LIES BURIED AT THE FOOT OF WALLOWA LAKE WAS DEDICATED. THE FATHER OF THE LEGENDARY YOUNG CHIEF JOSEPH DIED AND WAS ORIGINALLY BURIED AT THE FORKS OF THE WALLOWA AND LOSTINE RIVERS. MORE THAN 50 YEARS LATER, HIS REMAINS WERE MOVED BY WHITE MEN TO HIS PRESENT BURIAL SITE. AS HE LAY DYING, HE TOLD HIS YOUNG SON, "MY SON, MY BODY IS RETURNING TO MY MOTHER EARTH, AND MY SPIRIT IS GOING VERY SOON TO SEE THE GREAT SPIRIT CHIEF. WHEN I AM GONE, THINK OF YOUR COUNTRY... ALWAYS REMEMBER YOUR FATHER NEVER SOLD HIS COUNTRY. YOU MUST STOP YOUR EARS WHENEVER YOU ARE ASKED TO SIGN A TREATY SELLING YOUR HOME. A FEW MORE YEARS AND WHITE MEN WILL BE ALL AROUND YOU. THEY HAVE EYES ON THIS LAND."

SEP 27



RUTHERFORD B. HAYES WAS THE FIRST PRESIDENT TO VISIT OREGON. THE DATE WAS SEPT. 27, 1880. ACCOMPANYING HIM WAS HIS WIFE, GEN. WM. TECUMSEH SHERMAN AND OTHER OFFICIALS. AFTER ARRIVING BY STAGE FROM CALIFORNIA, THEY SPENT THE NIGHT IN JACKSONVILLE AT THE TOWN'S FINEST HOSTELRY, THE FRENCH HOTEL, OPERATED BY MADAME DEREBAUM. PRIOR TO HIS ARRIVAL, SHE WENT TO GREAT EXPENSE REFURBISHING THE PRESIDENT'S ROOM-TO-BE. THE NEXT MORNING BEFORE THE PARTY'S DEPARTURE, SHE PRESENTED THE PRESIDENT'S SECRETARY WITH A BILL FOR \$100. HIS REPLY WAS, "WE DON'T WISH TO BUY YOUR HOTEL, MADAME," AND HE HANDED HER TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS.

SEP 28



PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT TOOK ADVANTAGE OF HIS VISIT TO THE BONNEVILLE DAM THIS DAY IN 1937 TO DEFEND HIS MUCH CRITICIZED PUBLIC POWER POLICY. THE PRESIDENT INSISTED THAT THE \$51,000,000 PRICE TAG OF BONNEVILLE WOULD BE RETURNED MANY TIMES OVER IN "IMPROVEMENTS OF NAVIGATION AND TRANSPORTATION, THE CHEAPENING OF ELECTRIC POWER AND THE DISTRIBUTION OF THIS POWER." FOLLOWING THESE REMARKS, HE PRESSED A BUTTON STARTING THE DAM'S FIRST GENERATOR. SHARING THE PLATFORM WITH HIM WAS OREGON'S GOVERNOR CHARLES H. MARTIN WHO DID NOT ALWAYS SHARE MR. ROOSEVELT'S VIEWS ON PUBLIC POWER.

SEP 29



SHORTLY AFTER OREGON BECAME A TERRITORY, SAMUEL R. THURSTON WAS ELECTED DELEGATE TO CONGRESS FOR THE NEW TERRITORY. IN WASHINGTON, D.C., HE WAS ACTIVE IN PREPARING THE TEXT OF THE DONATION LAND ACT OF SEPTEMBER 29, 1850, WHICH PROVIDED FOR A GRANT OF LAND TO SETTLERS IN OREGON. THE LAW PRESCRIBED RESIDENCE ON AND CULTIVATION OF THE LAND IN ORDER TO SECURE A PATENT AND GAVE 320 ACRES TO EACH SINGLE MAN AND 640 ACRES TO A MARRIED COUPLE. "ONE HALF FOR HIMSELF AND ONE HALF FOR HIS WIFE TO BE HELD IN HER OWN RIGHT." A WEDDED WOMAN'S RIGHT TO HOLD PROPERTY, RARE AT THAT TIME IN ANY COUNTRY, WAS ESTABLISHED BY LAW EARLY IN OREGON.

SEP 30



THE FOLLOWING NEWS ARTICLE APPEARED ON THIS DATE IN 1897:

"EVERY WOODEN MILL IN THE STATE OF OREGON IS RUNNING FULL TIME, ON ORDERS, AND SEVERAL OF THEM ARE RUNNING DAY AND NIGHT. THIS IS EVIDENCE THAT THE WAVE OF RETURNING PROSPERITY HAS REACHED THE WOODEN MANUFACTURING BUSINESS, FOR DURING THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS, MOST OF THEM HAVE BEEN CLOSED OR ONLY RUNNING PART TIME. THERE ARE NINE WOODEN MILLS IN THE STATE, AND A TENTH IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN UNION COUNTY. THE REVIVAL IN THE WOODEN BUSINESS CAN BE ATTRIBUTED TO SEVERAL CAUSES, CHIEF OF WHICH IS THE EXCELLENT QUALITY OF THE GOODS PURCHASED HERE."

OCT 1



THE FIRST OREGON STATE FAIR WAS HELD ON THIS DAY IN 1861 ON THE BANKS OF THE CLACKAMAS RIVER AT THE PRESENT SITE OF GLADSTONE. SPONSORED BY THE OREGON STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY, THE FOUR DAY EVENT WAS TERMED A SUCCESS WITH PRIZES AMOUNTING TO \$758 BEING AWARDED TO THE BEST ENTRIES IN LIVESTOCK, FARM PRODUCTS, COOKERY AND NEEDLEWORK. FOLLOWING THE FAIR, PLANS WERE IMMEDIATELY MADE TO ACQUIRE A MORE SUITABLE LOCATION AND BETTER BACKING. THROUGH THE EFFORTS OF THE MARION COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY, EIGHTY ACRES NEAR SALEM WERE SECURED AND A MORE ELABORATE STATE FAIR WAS HELD THERE IN 1862.

OCT 2



LAUNCHED ON THIS DAY IN 1811 AT PORT ASTORIA WAS THE DOLLY, A TWENTY-FIVE TON SCHOONER AND THE FIRST VESSEL BUILT ON THE COLUMBIA RIVER. AFTER HER FRAMES ARRIVED ON THE TONQUIN, WORKERS AT THE FORT, FEW OF WHOM WERE EXPERIENCED SHIPWRIGHTS, CONSTRUCTED THE SHIP. EXPERIENCED SAILORS CLAIMED SHE WAS BADLY PUT TOGETHER AND SUBSEQUENT USE AS A COASTING VESSEL BY THE PACIFIC FUR COMPANY PROVED THEM RIGHT. SHE WAS ORIGINALLY NAMED FOR THE WIFE OF JOHN JACOB ASTOR BUT WHEN DONALD McTAVISH OF THE NORTH WEST COMPANY ARRIVED IN 1814, HE RECHRISTENED HER JANE FOR JANE BARNES.

OCT 3



IN THE OCT. 3, 1926 OREGONIAN, BETTER HOMES REALTORS LISTED SEVERAL HOMES FOR SALE. ONE HOME HAD A MAGNIFICENT VIEW OF THE WEST HILLS FROM ITS LOCATION NEAR REED COLLEGE. ITS 100 BY 127- FOOT LANDSCAPED CORNER LOT ACCOMMODATED A TENNIS COURT, SEVERAL FRUIT AND NUT TREES, A CHILDREN'S PLAYHOUSE AND A LARGE PORCH. FEATURED IN THE HOME WAS A 13 AND 25- FT LIVING ROOM WITH FIREPLACE, BUILT-IN BOOKCASES AND WIDE WINDOWS, A LARGE DINING ROOM WITH BUFFET, A KITCHEN WITH SOUTHERN EXPOSURE AND COMPOSITION DRAINS, THREE BEDROOMS ON THE FIRST FLOOR AND ONE ON THE SECOND FLOOR, CLEAR OAK FLOORS, FULL BASEMENT AND GARAGE. THE PRICE --- \$5,500.

OCT 4



OCTOBER 4, 1876, WAS THE BIRTHDATE OF KATHERINE ELOISA ROCKWELL, OTHER - WISE KNOWN AS "KLONDIKE KATE," THE FAMOUS DANCER AND SINGER OF THE YUKON GOLD RUSH DAYS WHO REPORTEDLY RECEIVED UP TO \$750 A NIGHT FOR HER PERFORMANCES. IN THE 1950s SHE AND HER HUSBAND MOVED TO SWEET HOME WHERE THE ONE-TIME DANCE HALL QUEEN CONTINUED TO CREATE CONVERSATION IN HER OWN COLORFUL WAY. IF SHE WASN'T DRESSING UP FOR PARADES, SHE MIGHT BE SEEN ROLLING HER OWN CIGARETTES WITH THE DEFTNESS OF A VETERAN COWHAND. PERFORMING OFF STAGE UNTIL 80, KATE PASSED AWAY ON FEBRUARY 21, 1957.

OCT 5



ON THIS DATE, 1846, JOHN SWITZLER WAS AUTHORIZED THE OPERATION OF A FERRY ACROSS THE COLUMBIA RIVER OPPOSITE FORT VANCOUVER FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE YEARS. HIS TOLL RATES WERE AS FOLLOWS: FOOTMAN, 25¢; HORSEMAN, 75¢; ONE WAGON WITH YOKE OF OXEN OR TEAM, \$3.00; HORSE OR CATTLE, EACH 25¢; SHEEP OR HOG 12½¢; 100 POUNDS OF FREIGHT, 25¢.

OCT 6



IN 1849 PRESIDENT ZACHARY TAYLOR OFFERED THE GOVERNORSHIP OF THE OREGON TERRITORIAL GOVERNMENT, LEFT VACANT BY THE RESIGNATION OF GENERAL JOSEPH LANE, TO ABRAHAM LINCOLN. THIS APPOINTMENT, AS WELL AS AN EARLIER ONE TO THE TERRITORY AS SECRETARY WAS DECLINED. A PRIMARY REASON, ACCORDING TO HISTORIANS, FOR LINCOLN'S REFUSING THE APPOINTMENT WAS HIS WIFE'S OBJECTIONS TO MOVING WEST WHERE THE RIGORS OF FRONTIER LIFE DID NOT EXACTLY APPEAL TO HER. IN 1860 LINCOLN WENT ON TO BE ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES. ON OCTOBER 6, 1885 THE OREGONIAN REPRINTED A COPY OF THE LETTER WRITTEN BY LINCOLN TO PRESIDENT TAYLOR IN WHICH HE DECLINED THE OFFER TO BECOME GOVERNOR OF THE OREGON TERRITORY.

OCT 7



DURING TERRITORIAL DAYS IN OREGON, A LAW WAS ENACTED THAT ENFORCED SUNDAY CLOSURE FOR SHOPKEEPERS. ON OCT. 7, 1851, IN EUGENE CITY, THE DISTRICT COURT INDICTED MASON BENSON FOR KEEPING A GROCERY OPEN ON SUNDAY. HIS FINE OF \$10 STEMMED LESS FROM THE MORAL OFFENSE, HOWEVER, AND MORE FROM NOT POSSESSING A LICENSE FOR SELLING SPIRITS.

OCT 8



"MORNING COOL AND PLEASANT; DAY CLEAR AND WARM. THERMOMETER IN THE SHADE 82°; MUCH SHEET LIGHTNING IN THE EVENING, WIND WESTERLY. STARTED AT NINE O'CLOCK, KEEPING AS USUAL A SOUTHERLY COURSE. COUNTRY MORE HILLY AND LESS FERTILE ... NO PLANTS CAME TODAY UNDER MY NOTICE ... SHORTLY AFTER DUSK ONE OF THE HUNTERS FORTUNATELY KILLED ONE SMALL DEER, WHICH WILL SERVE US FOR BREAKFAST. WE ARE JUST LIVING FROM HAND TO MOUTH. ALL THE HUNTERS OBSERVE THAT THE ANIMALS ARE VERY SCARCE AND THOSE SHY IN CONSEQUENCE OF THE COUNTRY BEING BURNED."

DAVID DOUGLAS' JOURNAL
OCTOBER 8, 1826
NEAR THE UMPQUA RIVER

OCT 9



"THE OLDEST INHABITANTS GIVE IT AS THEIR OPINION THAT OREGON HAS NEVER HAD SO DRY A SEASON BEFORE."

DEMOCRATIC TIMES
JACKSONVILLE
OCT. 9, 1885

OCT 10



THE FOLLOWING IS AN EXCERPT FROM A DIARY KEPT BY ONE OF THE PIONEERS EN ROUTE TO OREGON. THE JOURNEY BEGAN DOWN THE OHIO RIVER IN OCTOBER 1843 AND DID NOT END UNTIL THE PARTY'S ARRIVAL AT OREGON CITY, DECEMBER, 1844. THE DIARY, FOUND IN BENTON COUNTY, FAILED TO INCLUDE THE WRITER'S NAME, ONLY A RECORD OF HIS LONG, ARDUE TRIP:

"TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 1843:

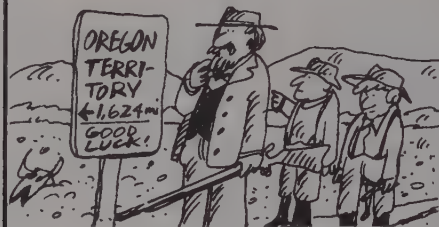
WE LOADED OUR WAGON AND ROLLED OUT ON THE ROAD. AFTER ALL THE PONDERING OF HOPES AND DOUBTS, WE ARE FINALLY ON OUR WAY TO OREGON. WE STAYED ONE NIGHT WITH FRIENDS. I THINK THEY ENVY US BUT LACK THE COURAGE TO FOLLOW."

OCT 11



THE LAST GREAT TRAIN ROBBERY IN THE UNITED STATES TOOK PLACE ON OCT. 11, 1923, IN SOUTHERN OREGON. TWINS RAY AND ROY D'AUTREMONT AND THEIR YOUNGER BROTHER HUGH HELD UP S.P.'S SOUTH-BOUND TRAIN #13 IN TUNNEL 13. THE BROTHERS JUMPED THE TRAIN JUST BEFORE IT ENTERED THE HALF-MILE LONG TUNNEL, ASSUMING THAT THE BUST OF THE EXPLOSIVES THEY PLANNED TO USE WOULD BE MUFFLED INSIDE. ACTUALLY IT ACTED AS AN ECHO CHAMBER ESPECIALLY SINCE THEY USED MUCH MORE DYNAMITE THAN NECESSARY, BLOWING NOT ONLY THE DOOR OFF THE MAIL CAR, BUT DESTROYING THE CAR ITSELF, ANY MONEY INSIDE AND KILLING FOUR MEN IN THE PROCESS. THE BROTHERS FLED AND HID OUT IN THE WOODS. RAY AND ROY WERE FINALLY CAPTURED IN 1927, FOLLOWING THE MOST EXTENSIVE AND EXPENSIVE MANHUNT IN THE U.S. UP TO THAT TIME.

OCT 12



"I WILL START WITH MY FAMILY TO THE OREGON TERRITORY THIS SPRING. LINDSAY AND PERHAPS CHARLES GO WITH ME. THIS RESOLUTION HAS BEEN CONCEIVED AND MATURED IN A VERY SHORT TIME, BUT IT IS PROBABLY DESTINY, TO WHICH ACCOUNT I PLACE IT, HAVING NEITHER TIME NOR GOOD REASONS TO OFFER IN DEFENSE OF SO WILD AN UNDERTAKING. WE ARE WELL, AND I ONLY SNATCH THIS OPPORTUNITY TO WRITE TO YOU FOR THIS PURPOSE OF ASCERTAINING IF THE SAME SPECIES OF MADNESS EXISTS ON YOUR SIDE OF THE MISSOURI."

LETTER FROM JESSE APPLIGATE TO HIS BROTHER HENRY IN APRIL, 1843 PUBLISHED IN OREGON JOURNAL, OCT. 12, 1933.

OCT 13



"MR. BOZORTH WHO HAS BEEN UP THE RIVER THE PAST FEW DAYS RETURNED MONDAY EVENING WELL SUPPLIED WITH FRUITS AND VEGETABLES HE HAS BEEN PURCHASING. HE HAS A MAMMOTH SQUASH WEIGHING 112 POUNDS WHICH IS ATTRACTING THE ATTENTION OF MANY."

THE WEEKLY ASTORIAN
OCTOBER 13, 1877

OCT 14



THE STATE LEGISLATURE, ON THIS DAY IN 1864, CREATED TWO NEW COUNTIES IN EASTERN OREGON; GRANT AND UNION, THE FIRST BEING COMPOSED OF PARTS OF WASCO AND UMATILLA AND THE LATTER CARVED FROM BAKER. LITTLE OPPOSITION OCCURED IN EITHER HOUSE, ALTHOUGH A FEW SOUTHERN SYMPATHIZERS OBJECTED TO HONORING GENERAL GRANT AND VAINLY ATTEMPTED TO SUBSTITUTE THE NAME GRANITE IN THE HOUSE. LA GRANDE WAS NAMED COUNTY SEAT OF UNION AND IT WAS THOUGHT THAT CANYON CITY WOULD BE GRANT'S COUNTY SEAT.

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OCT 18



THIS DAY IN 1895 FOUND A PORTLAND INVENTOR TESTING A GASOLINE ENGINE FOR PROPELLING VEHICLES: "IT IS INTENDED THAT THE PROPELLING MACHINERY, TO BE PLACED UNDER A CARRIAGE, SHALL WEIGH ABOUT 100 POUNDS AND DELIVER FOUR HORSEPOWER. THIS MACHINE AS DESIGNED WILL BE THE LAST FEATHER TO CRACK THE SPINE OF THE HORSE, WHOSE ULTIMATE DESTINATION HAS ALREADY BEEN MADE THE SLAUGHTERHOUSE BY THE ELECTRIC RAILROADS... WHEN A LOT OF SPORTY FELLOWS GET OUT ON THE RIVERSIDE ROAD IN BUGGIES PROPELLED BY GASOLINE AND SOME OF THEM INHALE TOO MUCH BENZINE AND THE RESULTS ARE APT TO MAKE THRILLING READING."

OCT 19



"I DISCOVERED THIS MORNING A HIGH MOUNTAIN OF EMENCE HEIGHT COVERED WITH SNOW, THIS MUST BE ONE OF THE MOUNTAINS LAID DOWN BY VANCOUVER, AS SEEN FROM THE MOUTH OF THE COLUMBIA RIVER, FROM THE COURSE WHICH IT BEARS IS WEST I TAKE IT TO BE MT. ST. HELENS, DESTANT ABOUT 120 MILES A RANGE OF MOUNTAINS IN THE DERECTION, CROSSING A CONICAL MOUNTAIN S.W. TOPPED WITH SNOW..."

JOURNAL OF WILLIAM CLARK
OCT. 19, 1805

OCT 20



BY TREATY AGREEMENT ON OCT. 20, 1818, THE UNITED STATES AND GREAT BRITAIN BEGAN THEIR JOINT OCCUPANCY OF THE OREGON COUNTRY. THIS TREATY PROVIDED FOR "ALL TERRITORIES AND THEIR WATERS CLAIMED BY EITHER POWER, WEST OF THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS" TO "BE FREE AND OPEN TO THE VESSELS, CITIZENS AND SUBJECTS OF BOTH FOR 10 YEARS." THE TREATY WAS RENEWED AT THE END OF 10 YEARS AND WAS FINALLY TERMINATED IN JUNE, 1846, WHEN THE U.S. WAS CONCEDED SOLE RIGHT TO THE COUNTRY SOUTH OF 49°

OCT 21



ON THIS DAY IN 1879, FOUR SKILLED QUARRYMEN WERE PLACED ON TILLAMOOK ROCK, A 120-FOOT BASALTIC MASS SITUATED 20 MILES SOUTH OF THE COLUMBIA RIVER BAR AND A MILE AND A HALF OFFSHORE. AFTER THE SEAS CALMED THE FOLLOWING DAY, THE REMAINING FOUR QUARRYMEN WERE LANDED ON THE RUGGED CRAG WITH EQUIPMENT AND PROVISIONS. AT THE END OF 575 WORKING DAYS HAMPERED BY BATTERING GALES, FLOODING SEAS, WET, COLD LIVING CONDITIONS FOR DAYS ON END AND ENCOUNTERS WITH ANGRY, AGGRESSIVE SEA LIONS, A REMARKABLE ENGINEERING FEAT WAS ACCOMPLISHED--THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE TILLAMOOK LIGHT HOUSE, ONE OF THE LONGEST LIGHT STATIONS IN THE ENTIRE PACIFIC OCEAN.

OCT 22



"TUESDAY, OCT. 22. COLD.

HAVING A LITTLE WOOD AND WATER LEFT, WE HAD A LITTLE BREAKFAST. DROVE ON AND CAMPED WHERE WE HAD GRASS, WOOD AND WATER.... HERE WE SEE THE BEST OF BOTTOM LAND AND NEARLY 300 HORSES ON IT.... I NEVER SAW SUCH A LOT OF HORSES. THEY ARE OWNED BY THE INDIANS AND I SUPPOSE THEY HAVE THOUSANDS OF THEM. THESE INDIANS ARE SO LOCATED THAT THEY GET CATTLE IN ABUNDANCE FROM THE FINEST OF STOCK AND WILL SOON BE RICH."

ENTRY FROM ANONYMOUS PIONEER'S DIARY MADE ON THE OREGON TRAIL, 1844. THE LOCATION THAT MORNING WAS AN OPEN PRAIRIE NEAR THE SNOW-COVERED BLUE MOUNTAINS.

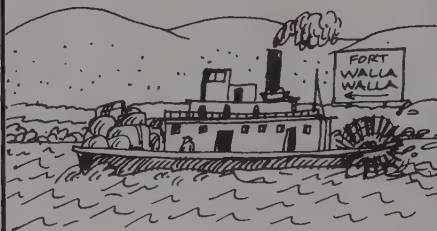
OCT 23



"THE CITIZENS OF ASTORIA SEEM TO HAVE RECENTLY SHAKEN OFF THEIR FORMER 'MASTERLY INACTIVITY,' AND HAVE COMMENCED IMPROVING AND BUILDING IN GOOD EARNEST. SEVERAL NEW DWELLING HOUSES, A STEAM SAW MILL, AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF ENTERPRISE NOW BEING COMPLETED, SPEAK WELL FOR THE FUTURE GROWTH AND PROSPERITY OF THE SOMEWHAT ANCIENT TOWN OF OREGON."

OREGONIAN
OCT. 23, 1852.

OCT 24



THE COLONEL WRIGHT, THE FIRST STEAM-BOAT ON THE UPPER COLUMBIA RIVER, WAS LAUNCHED OCTOBER 24, 1858, AT THE MOUTH OF THE DESCHUTES RIVER. LIKE MOST PIONEERS ON A STEAMBOAT ROUTE, SHE MADE A FORTUNE FOR HER OWNERS BEFORE OTHER BOATS CAME TO INTERFERE WITH HER TRADE. THE COLONEL WRIGHT CARRIED FREIGHT FOR FORT WALLA WALLA FROM CELILO AT THE RATE OF \$80 A TON, MAKING EACH WEEK THREE ROUND TRIPS WITH A FULL LOAD EACH TIME.

OCT 25



THE FOLLOWING NEWS ITEM APPEARED THIS DAY IN 1902:
 "THE PRICE OF HOPS AT SALEM HAS JUMPED TO 25½ CENTS... SOME GROWERS ARE CONFIDENTLY EXPECTING THE MARKET TO JUMP ANOTHER 4 TO 5 CENTS, EVEN THOUGH THE PRESENT PRICE IS CONSIDERED EXCELLENT, AND BY BUYERS TO BE ON THE HIGH SIDE. THE FINE QUALITY OF WILLAMETTE VALLEY HOPS HAS WON THAT PRODUCT AN ENVIABLE REPUTATION, AND OREGON GROWERS ARE CONTRIBUTING TO THE PLEASURE OF BEER DRINKERS IN ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD, SINCE HOPS FROM THIS STATE ARE BOUGHT FOR SHIPMENT TO THE EASTERN BREWERIES AND FOR EXPORT TO ENGLAND AND GERMANY."

OCT 26



THE BATTLESHIP OREGON WAS LAUNCHED THIS DAY AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA AND COMMISSIONED IN 1895 AT A COST OF \$6,230,000. UNDER THE COMMAND OF CAPTAIN CHARLES EDGAR CLARK, "THE BULL DOG OF THE NAVY" SAILED 15,000 MILES FROM SAN FRANCISCO THROUGH THE STRAIGHTS OF MAGELLAN TO KEY WEST, FLORIDA WHERE SHE JOINED A BLOCKADE SQUADRON IN THE BATTLE OF SANTIAGO. ON JULY 3, 1898, THE "OREGON" FIRED THE FIRST SHOT IN THIS BATTLE AND EFFECTIVELY ENGAGED IN SINKING OR BEACHING TWO OF THE SPANISH FLEET'S CRUISERS. SHE BECAME THE SQUADRON'S FLAGSHIP ON JULY 4 AND CONTINUED IN SERVICE UNTIL 1919 WHEN SHE WAS PLACED OUT OF COMMISSION.

OCT 27



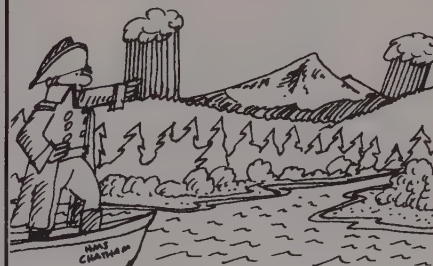
FOUNDER OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF THE SETTLEMENT OF THE OREGON TERRITORY, HALL JACKSON KELLY ARRIVED AT FORT VANCOUVER FROM MASSACHUSETTS THIS DAY IN 1834. WHILE READING THE JOURNALS OF LEWIS AND CLARK IN 1818, KELLY BECAME ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT THE OREGON COUNTRY AND SUBSEQUENTLY WROTE BOOKS AND PAMPHLETS EXTOLLING ITS VIRTUES. HIS PLANNED CARAVAN OF SEVERAL HUNDRED PROSPECTIVE EMIGRANTS FROM NEW ENGLAND TO OREGON FAILED TO MATERIALIZE. UNDAUNTED, HE SET OUT ALONE FOR OREGON BY WAY OF MEXICO, WHERE HE ENCOUNTERED DIFFICULTIES AND FINALLY ARRIVED AT THE COLUMBIA SICK AND PENNILESS. THE FOLLOWING YEAR, 1835, HE SAILED TO HAWAII AND THEN BACK TO BOSTON WHERE HE SPENT THE REST OF HIS LIFE.

OCT 28



THE WEEKLY MOUNTAINEER OF THE DALLES, ON OCTOBER 28, 1871, OBSERVED THAT ROAD AGENTS, THE TERM FOR STAGECOACH ROBBERS, ARE "GETTING QUITE NUMEROUS IN THESE PARTS.... WINTER IS COMING ON AND THESE POOR DEVILS ARE LAYING IN THEIR WINTER SUPPLIES. PERSONS TRAVELING HAD BETTER KEEP THEIR EYES PEELED AND IF POSSIBLE CARRY THEIR HOWITZERS WITH THEM LOADED WITH GRAPE AND CANNISTER, READY TO SERVE."

OCT 29



ON OCTOBER 29, 1792, LIEUTENANT WILLIAM R. BROUGHTON, UNDER ORDERS FROM CAPT. GEORGE VAN COUVER OF THE BRITISH ROYAL NAVY, LEFT HIS ARMED TENDER HMS CHATHAM AND WITH MOST OF THE CREW IN TWO BOATS, SAILED UP THE COLUMBIA RIVER, FROM A LOCATION OPPOSITE ASTORIA. OFF A POINT WHERE A STREAM THEY NAMED BARINGS RIVER (SANDY RIVER) EMPTIED INTO THE COLUMBIA, THE PARTY SIGHTED A SNOW-CLAD PEAK WHICH LT. BROUGHTON NAMED MT. HODD IN HONOR OF VICE ADMIRAL SAMUEL HODD.

OCT 30



"PROVIDENCE HAS AGAIN SMILED ON US THIS YEAR GIVING US A BOUNTIFUL SUPPLY OF WHEAT CORN POTATOES & OTHER VEGETABLES. THE INDIANS ALSO HAVE ENOUGH TO GIVE THEM A WISH TO CULTIVATE MORE LARGELY ANOTHER YEAR. SOME OF THEM TELL ME THEY WILL NOT WANDER AFTER THIS SEASON BUT THEIR ENTIRE SETTLEMENT CAN NOT BE EXPECTED TO LONG AS SO MANY INDUCEMENTS EXIST TO CAUSE THEM TO ROVE."

FROM LETTER OF DR. MARCUS WHITMAN
OCTOBER 30, 1858

OCT 31



SILAS CHRISTOFFERSON, WHO AMAZED SPECTATORS WITH HIS AEROBATIC FEATS AND MAY BEST BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS DARING FLIGHT FROM THE TOP OF THE MULTNOMAH HOTEL TO VANCOUVER DURING THE 1912 ROSE FESTIVAL, WAS KILLED IN AN AIRPLANE CRASH THIS DAY IN 1915. THE YOUNG PORTLANDER WHO BUILT AND FLEW HIS OWN AIRCRAFT AT THE AGE OF 20 HAD JUST SET A WORLD'S ALTITUDE RECORD, CLIMBING TO NEARLY 20,000 FEET, THE YEAR BEFORE.

NOV 1



ON THIS DAY IN 1854, PRESIDENT PIERCE FORMALLY APPOINTED GEORGE LAW CURRY GOVERNOR OF THE OREGON TERRITORY. PRIOR TO THIS, CURRY HAD ACTED AS GOVERNOR EX-OFFICIO, SUCCEEDING JOHN WESLEY DAVIS, SIXTH TERRITORIAL GOVERNOR ALSO APPOINTED BY PIERCE. UNLIKE DAVIS, CURRY WAS AN OREGON RESIDENT, HAVING COME TO OREGON CITY IN 1846 WHERE HE EDITED THE OREGON SPECTATOR FOR A YEAR AND THEN FOUNDED THE FREE PRESS. HE SERVED AS GOVERNOR UNTIL MARCH 3, 1859, WHEN OREGON STATEHOOD BEGAN. CURRY COUNTY IS NAMED FOR HIM.

NOV 2



MARY ANN SMITH WAS THE FIRST OREGON WOMAN TO OBTAIN A DIVORCE, THE DECREE BEING GIVEN IN THE PROVISIONAL COURT, NOVEMBER 2, 1846. A JURY TRIAL WAS HELD, THE JURY FINDING "THE ALLEGATIONS AS SET FORTH IN THE PETITIONS SUSTAINED," AND TO MARY ANN SMITH WERE RESTORED "ALL THE RIGHTS AND IMMUNITIES OF A STATE OF CELIBACY."

NOV 3



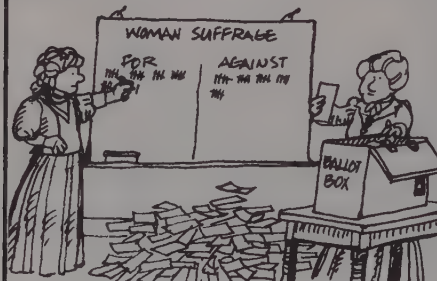
THE FOLLOWING ADVERTISEMENT WAS PLACED IN THE STATE RIGHTS DEMOCRAT OF ALBANY, NOV. 3, 1866, BY ISAIAH MERCER EXPRESSING HIS FEELINGS ABOUT HAVING A DEBT REPAID IN DEPRECIATED CURRENCY: "WHEREAS, ONE WILLIAM NEWHOUSE... DID THIS DAY PAY ME IN GREENBACKS WITHOUT A REQUISITE DISCOUNT ON THE SAME, IN PAYMENT OF A RIGHTFUL AND JUST DEBT, FOR WORK PERFORMED BY ME, THEREFORE I TAKE THIS METHOD OF WARNING ALL PERSONS FROM CREDITING HIM UNDER ANY CONSIDERATION WHATEVER, AS THEY ARE LIABLE TO BE SWINDLED OUT OF THEIR JUST DUES IN THE MANNER THAT I WAS. BELIEVING THAT THE PUBLIC GOOD DEMANDS THAT SUCH RASCALITY SHOULD BE EXPOSED, I HEREWITH MAKE THIS STATEMENT OF FACTS. ISAIAH MERCER."

NOV 4



THE NATURALIZATION OF HUGH BYRNE OF GREAT BRITAIN WAS RECORDED ON THIS DAY, 1850 IN WHAT IS BELIEVED TO BE THE FIRST NATURALIZATION BOOK FOR THE OREGON COUNTRY. THE VOLUME IS TITLED, DECLARATION OF INTENTION, VOL. 1, AND WAS FOUND IN THE CLATSOP COUNTY COURTHOUSE BY A RESEARCHER ON THE OREGON HISTORICAL RECORDS SURVEY. SEVERAL ENTRIES STATE, "...FORGOING PERSONS CAME BEFORE RECORDER AND DECLARED THEIR INTENTIONS TO BE LOYAL TO THE U.S. AND FORSAKE ALLEGIANCE TO ANY OTHER COUNTRY."

NOV 5



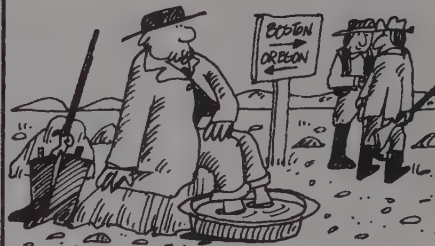
THE LONG STRUGGLE TO GAIN EQUAL ACCESS TO THE BALLOT BOX BY WOMEN CAME TO AN END IN OREGON THIS DAY IN 1912, AS VOTERS ACROSS THE STATE VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE SUFFRAGE AMENDMENT TO THE OREGON CONSTITUTION. INTEREST IN OREGON'S BATTLE FOR WOMAN SUFFRAGE EXTENDED ABROAD AS NEWS OF THE ELECTION OUTCOME WAS CABLED JUST BEFORE MID-NIGHT TO LONDON WHERE 10,000 BRITISH SUFFRAGETTES WERE ANXIOUSLY AWAITING TO HEAR THE RESULTS. POLITICIANS REACTED SKEPTICALLY TO CLAIMS THAT THE FEMININE VOTE WOULD DRASTICALLY ALTER THE ORDER OF THINGS. "THE HAND THAT ROCKS THE CRADLE WILL NEVER ROCK THE BOAT," THEY INSISTED.

NOV 6



IN A LETTER TO THE IOWA GAZETTE, NOV. 6, 1843, M. M. M^CCARVER WROTE FROM THE TUALATIN PLAINS :
 "THE SOIL IN THIS VALLEY AND IN MANY OTHER PORTIONS OF TERRITORY IS EQUAL TO THAT OF IOWA, OR ANY OTHER PORTION OF THE UNITED STATES, IN POINT OF BEAUTY AND FERTILITY, AND ITS PRODUCTIONS IN MANY ARTICLES ARE FAR SUPERIOR, PARTICULARLY IN REGARD TO WHEAT, POTATOES, BEETS AND TURNIPS ... THERE IS NOW GROWING IN THE FIELDS OF MR. JAMES JOHNS, LESS THAN A MILE FROM THIS PLACE WHERE I WRITE YOU, A TURNIP MEASURING IN CIRCUMFERENCE FOUR AND A HALF FEET AND HE THINKS THAT IT WILL EXCEED FIVE FEET BEFORE PULLING TIME."

NOV 7



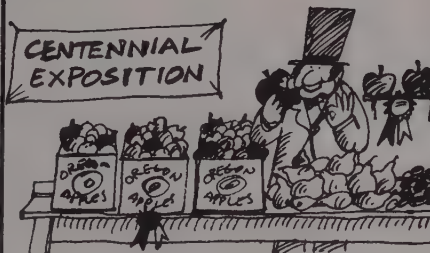
IN MARCH, 1832, NATHANIEL WYETH DEPARTED BOSTON AND MARCHED OVERLAND TO OREGON REACHING FT. VANCOUVER IN LATE OCTOBER OF THAT SAME YEAR. WYETH'S INTENT WAS TO ESTABLISH A COMMERCIAL AND AGRICULTURAL COMPANY ON THE COLUMBIA BUT WHEN HIS SHIPLOAD OF SUPPLIES FAILED TO REACH OREGON, HE DECIDED TO RETURN TO MASSACHUSETTS. AFTER A SECOND OVERLAND TREK, HE ARRIVED BACK IN CAMBRIDGE WITH TWO HALF-BREED INDIAN GUIDES ON NOV. 7, 1833. HERE HE ORGANIZED THE COLUMBIA RIVER FISHING AND TRADING COMPANY TO OUTFIT A VESSEL THAT WOULD SAIL AROUND THE HORN AND MEET HIM ON THE COLUMBIA.

NOV 8



OREGONIANS READING THE NEWSPAPER ON THIS DAY IN 1922 WOULD HAVE FOUND CONSIDERABLE COVERAGE OF THE PREVIOUS DAYS ELECTIONS. OF PARTICULAR NOTE WAS THE ELECTION OF WALTER M. PIERCE TO REPLACE BEN OLCOTT AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE AND THE OVER-WHELMING PASSAGE OF THE SCHOOL MEASURE THAT WOULD REQUIRE ALL STUDENTS TO ATTEND PUBLIC SCHOOLS AFTER 1926. APPROVAL OF THIS BILL SPELLED THE END OF PRIVATE AND PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS IN OREGON, REFLECTING THE STRONG INFLUENCE IN THIS ELECTION OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, WHICH HAS SUCCEEDED IN PLACING A NUMBER OF SUPPORTERS AND SYMPATHIZERS IN STATE OFFICES.

NOV 9



OREGON'S FRUIT DISPLAY AT THE 1876 CENTENNIAL EXPOSITION IN PHILADELPHIA DREW MUCH ATTENTION. EVEN THE NEW YORK TRIBUNE, IN ITS NOV. 9, 1876 ISSUE HAD SOMETHING TO SAY: "OREGON DISPLAYS 12 VARIETIES OF APPLES, 13 OF PLUMS AND PRUNES AND 13 OF PEARS. THE QUALITY IS EXCELLENT. OREGON IS UNEXCELLED, EVEN BY CALIFORNIA, FOR RAISING GOOD FRUIT, AND ITS APPLES ARE SUPERIOR."

NOV 10



"THE BALLOON ASCENSION MADE TODAY BY PROF. P.H. REDMON FROM NEAR THE EAST APPROACH OF THE JEFFERSON ST. FERRY WAS ONE OF THE MOST SATISFACTORY EVER WITNESSED IN THE PORTLAND AREA..AFTER THE ROPES WERE LOOSENED, THE BALLOON WENT UP LIKE A SHOT UNTIL IT HAD REACHED AN ALTITUDE OF 1,500 FEET, WHEN IT BEGAN TO ASCEND MORE SLOWLY. THE AIRSHIP HAVING REACHED A HEIGHT OF NEARLY 2000 FEET, THE PROFESSOR ADJUSTED HIS PARACHUTE AND JUMPED. DURING THE DESCENT HE PERFORMED MANY DAZZLING AEROBATIC FEATS AND HIS THRILLING MANUEVERS, SUCH AS HANGING BY HIS TOES, WERE MUCH APPLAUDED BY THE 3,000 SPECTATORS."

OREGONIAN
NOV. 10, 1889

NOV 11



THE NEWLY-FORMED OREGON PIONEER ASSOCIATION HELD ITS FIRST ANNUAL REUNION IN BUTTEVILLE THIS DAY IN 1873, A DATE COMMEMORATING THE 16th ANNIVERSARY OF THE ADOPTION OF THE OREGON STATE CONSTITUTION. THE OCCASIONAL ADDRESS WAS DELIVERED BY FORMER TERRITORIAL GOVERNOR GEORGE LAW CURRY AND SPEECHES WERE MADE BY OTHER NOTABLES PRESENT. THE PIONEER LADIES WERE MOST HOSPITABLE IN THEIR PREPARATION OF A BOUNTIFUL REPAST.

NOV 12



ON THIS DATE IN 1846, OUTCOME OF THE TREATY SIGNING ON JUNE 15 BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND GREAT BRITAIN FINALLY REACHED OREGONIANS, INFORMING THEM THAT ALL LAND SOUTH OF THE 49th PARALLEL WAS CONCEDED TO AMERICA. THIS WELCOMED NEWS OF THE OREGON BOUNDARY SETTLEMENT WAS DELIVERED BY CAPTAIN NATHANIEL CROSBY, BAR PILOT AND SAILING MASTER OF THE BARK TOULON. WHO CAME TO OREGON FROM THE EAST COAST EARLIER IN THE YEAR. AMONG THE CARGO ABOARD HIS SHIP WAS LUMBER USED TO BUILD THE FIRST FRAME HOUSE IN PORTLAND. HE WAS ALSO THE GREAT-GRANDFATHER OF BING CROSBY.

NOV 13



AFTER 5 MONTHS OF EXTENSIVE DEBATE AND HEATED DISCUSSION, THE GRANTS PASS CITY COUNCIL, ON THIS DAY IN 1903, VOTED DOWN ACCEPTANCE OF A \$19,000 GIFT FROM ANDREW CARNEGIE FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW LIBRARY. ONLY 2 COUNCIL MEMBERS SUPPORTED THE PROPOSED OFFER. THE COUNCIL'S ACTION GREATLY DISPLEASED THE GRANTS PASS WOMEN'S CLUB WHO WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR INITIALLY SECURING THE OFFER FROM CARNEGIE, AND PROMPTED THE RUMOR THAT THE CLUB MAY FORGET ITS BAN ON POLITICAL ACTIVITY AND WORK TOWARD THE REMOVAL OF CERTAIN COUNCILMEN AT THE NEXT ELECTION.

NOV 14



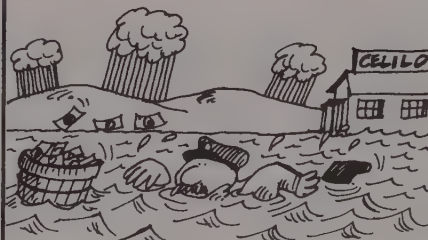
ON NOV. 14, 1864, OREGON'S GOVERNOR AD-
DISON PROCLAIMED THE 24th OF NOVEMBER
AS A DAY OF THANKSGIVING WITH THE RE-
MARKS: "ANOTHER YEAR HAS ROLLED AROUND--
A YEAR OF GREAT TRIAL AND INTEREST; A
YEAR IN WHICH HOSTILE ARMIES, IN OUR
ONCE UNITED, PROSPEROUS AND HAPPY
COUNTRY, HAVE BEEN CONTENDING-- THE
ONE TO DESTROY, THE OTHER TO UPHOLD
OUR GOVERNMENT." THE GOVERNOR WENT
ON TO MENTION THE UNION ARMY'S VIC-
TORIES THE LAST FEW MONTHS AND THE
POPULAR SUPPORT FOR PRESIDENT LIN-
COLN'S LEADERSHIP AS EVIDENCED BY
THE RESULTS OF THE LAST ELECTION.

NOV 15



A MEETING IN CANYON CITY THIS DAY IN 1906 BROUGHT AN END TO THE TEN-YEAR BLOODY WAR BETWEEN THE CATTLEMEN AND THE SHEEPMEN OF EASTERN OREGON. DURING THE "SHEEPSHOOTERS WAR", THOUSANDS OF SHEEP AND SEVERAL SHEEPMEN WERE SHOT ON THE OPEN RANGE EAST OF PRINEVILLE. THE FOREST RESERVE BILL, PASSED IN 1902, ALLOTTED PUBLIC GRAZING LAND FOR BOTH CATTLE AND SHEEP TO TERMINATE THIS UNPLEASANT PART OF OREGON HISTORY.

NOV 16



THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE STATE PORTAGE ROAD AT CELLO WAS FIRED THIS DAY IN 1906. HE WAS CHARGED WITH MIS-USE OF FUNDS, OR MORE SIMPLY STATED, GRAFT. BECAUSE OF THE EXCESSIVE RAINS AND FLOODING, IT WAS THOUGHT HE MIGHT HAVE TO LEAVE HIS POST BY SWIMMING.

NOV 17



THE FIRST SCHOOL DAY WEST OF THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS WAS HELD NOVEMBER 17, 1832, WHEN JOHN BALL ORGANIZED A SCHOOL ON THAT DAY AT FORT VANCOUVER. TWELVE BOYS MADE UP THE TOTAL ENROLLMENT. "ALL WERE HALF-BREEDS," ACCORDING TO JOHN BALL'S JOURNAL, "AS THERE WAS NOT A WHITE WOMAN IN OREGON... I FOUND THE BOYS DOCTILE AND ATTENTIVE AND THEY MADE GOOD PROGRESS. THE DOCTOR (MELROUGHLIN) OFTEN CAME INTO THE SCHOOL AND WAS WELL SATISFIED AND PLEASED. ONE DAY HE SAID: 'BALL, ANYWAY YOU WILL HAVE THE REPUTATION OF TEACHING THE FIRST SCHOOL IN OREGON. SO I HAVE PASSED THE WINTER OF 1832 AND 1833.'"

NOV 18



"MY HUSBAND IS SICK. IT RAINS AND SNOWS. WE START THIS MORNING AROUND THE FALLS WITH OUR WAGONS. WE HAVE 5 MILES TO GO. I CARRY MY BABY AND LEAD, OR RATHER CARRY, ANOTHER THROUGH SNOW, MUD AND WATER, ALMOST TO MY KNEES. IT IS THE WORST ROAD THAT A TEAM COULD POSSIBLY TRAVEL. I WENT AHEAD WITH MY CHILDREN AND I WAS AFRAID TO LOOK BEHIND ME FOR FEAR OF SEEING THE WAGONS TURN OVER INTO THE MUD AND WATER. ... I HAVE NOT TOLD HALF WHAT WE SUFFERED. I AM NOT ADEQUATE TO THE TASK. THERE WAS SOME HUNDRED CAMPED, WAITING FOR BOATS TO COME AND TAKE THEM DOWN THE COLUMBIA TO VANCOUVER OR PORTLAND OR OREGON CITY."

JOURNAL OF ELIZABETH SMITH GEEK,
NOV. 18, 1847

NOV 19



IT WAS AROUND THIS TIME IN 1906 THAT AUTHORITIES AT KELLY BUTTE, THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY ROCK PILE, RECEIVED A COMPLAINT FROM ONE OF THE PRISONERS. A TOOTHLESS INMATE COMPLAINED HE WAS UNABLE TO EAT THE FOOD WITHOUT TEETH AND INSISTED A SET OF GRINDERS BE PROVIDED FOR HIM BY THE COUNTY. HIS DEMAND WAS GRANTED, ALLOWING HIM TO GET THE NECESSARY CHOPPERS.

NOV 20



"FOUND MANY OF THE CHINOOKS WITH CAPTAIN LEWIS, OF WHOM THERE WERE 2 CHIEFS, COMCOMOLY AND CHILLAR-AWIL, TO WHOM WE GAVE MEDALS AND TO ONE A FLAG, ONE OF THE INDIANS HAD ON A ROBE MADE OF 2 SEA-OTTER SKINS. THE FUR OF THEM WAS MORE BEAUTIFUL THAN ANY FUR I HAD EVER SEEN. BOTH CAPTAIN LEWIS AND MYSELF TRIED TO PURCHASE THE ROBE WITH DIFFERENT ARTICLES. AT LENGTH, WE PROCURED IT FOR A BELT OF BLUE BEADS WHICH THE SQUAW WIFE OF OUR INTERPRETER CHAR-BONNEAU WORE AROUND HER WAIST."

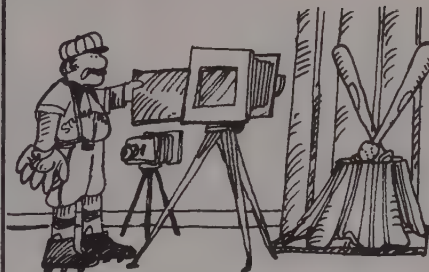
WILLIAM CLARE
LEWIS AND CLARK JOURNALS
NOV. 20, 1805

NOV 21



IN 1850 OREGON'S FOURTH NEWSPAPER, THE WESTERN STAR, MADE ITS INITIAL APPEARANCE THIS DAY AT MILWAUKIE. PUBLISHED BY LOT WHITCOMB, FOUNDER OF MILWAUKIE, AND BOAT BUILDER WHO LAUNCHED THE FIRST STEAMER BUILT ON THE WILLAMETTE RIVER A MONTH LATER, THIS WEEKLY SERVED PRIMARILY AS A PROMOTIONAL PIECE FOR WHITCOMB'S NEW TOWN. IN THE LATE SPRING OF 1861, HE SOLD THE PAPER OUT TO HIS PUBLICATION STAFF WHO SURREPTITIOUSLY MOVED THE PUBLICATION TO PORTLAND AND BROUGHT IT OUT AS THE OREGON WEEKLY TIMES.

NOV 22



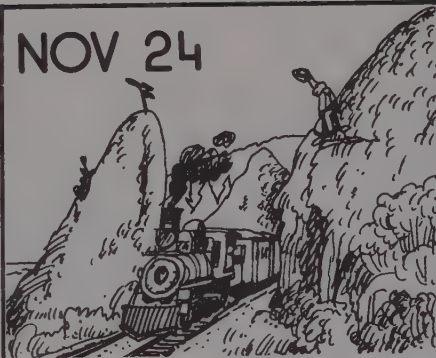
JOSEPH BUCHTEL, AN EARLY DAGUERRIAN ARTIST AND PIONEER PORTLAND PHOTOGRAPHER WAS BORN ON THIS DAY IN 1830. HE ARRIVED IN PORTLAND IN 1862. BY 1885 HE WAS ESTABLISHED AS PORTLAND'S ONLY PHOTOGRAPHER AND ALSO SERVED AS MULTNOMAH COUNTY SHERIFF IN 1866 HE ORGANIZED "STUMPTOWN'S" FIRST BASEBALL TEAM, PLAYING AS PITCHER/CAPTAIN. BY 1884, HE HAD TAKEN MORE THAN 25,000 NEGATIVES, MUCH "A TREASURE OF ART, BIOGRAPHY, HISTORY AND SOCIAL LIFE" OF OREGON. UNFORTUNATELY, MOST OF HIS COLLECTION WAS CARELESSLY DESTROYED WHILE THE PHOTOGRAPHER WAS ABROAD.

NOV 23.



THIS EVENING IN 1858 WAS OPENING NIGHT AT THE FIRST THEATRE BUILT IN OREGON. THE COMEDY HONEYMOON AND THE FARCE BETSY BAKER WERE BOTH PRESENTED TO AN EXCITED, RECEPTIVE AUDIENCE.

NOV 24



THE LONG AWAITED DREAM OF A RAIL CONNECTION BETWEEN OREGON AND THE EASTERN UNITED STATES WAS REALIZED THIS DAY IN 1883 WHEN THE "LAST SPIKE" WAS DRIVEN, HOLDING THE RAIL THAT SPANNED THE REMAINING GAP BETWEEN THE O.R. & N. RAILROAD EXTENDING TO THE EAST FROM PORTLAND AND THE OREGON SHORTLINE WHICH WAS LAID WESTWARD FROM THE UNION PACIFIC. THE CEREMONIOUS OCCASION OCCURRING IN HUNTINGTON, MARKING THE END OF A LONG, TROUBLESOME AND DANGEROUS BUILDING PROJECT. THE STRETCH BETWEEN BONNEVILLE AND THE DALLES OVERCAME MORE DIFFICULTIES IN CONSTRUCTION, ACCORDING TO THE RAILROAD MEN, THAN ON A COMPARABLE LENGTH OF LINE ANYWHERE ELSE IN THE COUNTRY.

NOV 25



CITIZENS ASSEMBLED AT LONGVIEW, WASHINGTON, THIS DAY IN 1862 TO FINALLY DECLARE THEIR INDEPENDENCE FROM THE OREGON TERRITORY. WASHINGTON GAINED OFFICIAL TERRITORIAL STATUS THE FOLLOWING YEAR AND BOUNDARIES WERE ESTABLISHED AS ALL THAT AREA SOUTH OF THE 49th DEGREE OF LATITUDE CROSSES THE RIVER NEAR FORT WALLA WALLA, THENCE TO THE SUMMIT OF THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS WESTERN MONTANA AND THE IDAHO PANHANDLE WERE LATER ELIMINATED FROM THE WASHINGTON AREA.

NOV 26



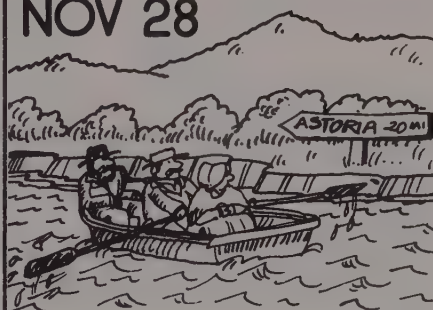
IT WAS ON THIS NIGHT IN 1896 THAT PEOPLE FIRST HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO OBSERVE, ON A DOWNTOWN PORTLAND STREET, THE CURIOUS SPECTACLE OF A WORD BEING SPELLED OUT, LETTER BY LETTER, IN ELECTRIC LIGHTS. THE WORD WAS "GORDON" AND WAS IN FRONT OF THE THEATRE OF THAT NAME.

NOV 27



OREGON'S FIRST FRUIT NURSERY ARRIVED THIS DAY AT THE PRESENT SITE OF MILWAUKIE. KNOWN AS THE TRAVELING NURSERY BECAUSE IT WAS TRANSPORTED TO OREGON ON WHEELS, THIS SELECTION OF 800 YOUNG APPLE, PEAR, PEACH, PLUM AND CHERRY TREES WAS THE IDEA OF HENDERSON WELLING, A SUCCESSFUL NURSERYMAN FROM HENRY COUNTY, IOWA, WHO, IN THE SPRING OF 1897 WITH HIS SON, ALFRED, LEFT IOWA DRIVING TWO FOUR-YOKE OX TEAMS HAULING THE TREE-LADEN WAGONS. IN 1851 A GOOD CROP OF APPLES AND CHERRIES WERE HARVESTED FROM THESE TREES AND FOUR BUSHELS OF APPLES SUBSEQUENTLY SOLD IN SAN FRANCISCO FOR \$500. SO BEGAN THE FIRST NURSERY ON AMERICA'S PACIFIC COAST.

NOV 28



THURSDAY, NOV. 28. STILL THE RAIN POURS DOWN.

MADE AN EARLY START AND LANDED AT VAN-COVER ABOUT TIME FOR SUNRISE... WE BREAKFASTED AND STARTED FOR LINTON BEFORE ELEVEN O'CLOCK... WE ARE NOW ROWING UP THE PRETTY WILLAMETTE RIVER, ABOUT THREE-FOURTHS OF A MILE WIDE... BUT OH! STOP A LITTLE. IS THIS THE WILLAMETTE RIVER? NO! NO? WHAT THEN? OH, IT IS JUST A SLOUGH AROUND AN ISLAND, AND WE HAVE BEEN ROWING UP THE COLUMBIA. SO THEY ROWED UP THE STREAM AND BACK AGAIN, LIKE THE CAPTAIN WHO MARCHED HIS MEN UP A HILL AGAIN AND COMMANDED, "AS YOU WERE." WE GOT TO THE WILLAMETTE SOME TIME IN THE NIGHT."

ENTRY FROM DIARY OF OREGON TRAIL PIONEER, 1894

NOV 29



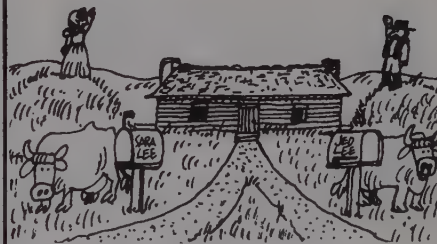
IN THE EARLY DAYS, THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN GOAT RANGED THE CASCADES AND COAST RANGE OF OREGON AND WERE SIGHTED BY EXPLORERS INCLUDING LEWIS AND CLARK WHO NOTED THE GOAT "IS FOUND IN MANY PLACES, BUT MOSTLY IN TIMBERED PARTS OF THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS...WE HAVE, NEVERTHELESS, TOO MANY PROOFS TO ADMIT A DOUBT OF THEIR EXISTENCE IN CONSIDERABLE NUMBERS NEAR THE COAST." IN A JOURNAL ENTRY OF NOV. 19, 1811, ALEXANDER HENRY TOLD OF A CANOE ARRIVING FROM THE WILLAMETTE VALLEY WITH "SEVEN SHAMOYS (CHAMOIS) WEIGHING FROM 50 TO 80 POUNDS EACH." THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN GOAT IS NOW EXTINCT IN THIS STATE.

NOV 30



AFTER THE CITIZENS OF OREGON VOTED IN FAVOR OF EQUAL SUFFRAGE, IT BECAME LAW BY PROCLAMATION OF GOVERNOR WEST ON THIS DAY IN 1912. ABIGAIL SCOTT DUNIWAY, THE DRIVING FORCE BEHIND THE SUFFRAGE MOVEMENT IN OREGON, WAS ASKED BY THE GOVERNOR TO WRITE THE OFFICIAL PROCLAMATION BUT BECAUSE OF POOR HEALTH WAS UNABLE TO BE PRESENT AT THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR THE OFFICIAL SIGNING; THEREFORE THE GOVERNOR WENT TO HER HOME IN PORTLAND AND SIGNED THE BILL IN HER PRESENCE.

DEC 1



BY AN ACT OF CONGRESS ON THIS DAY IN 1850, SETTLERS IN THE OREGON TERRITORY WERE EACH GRANTED DONATIONS OF PUBLIC LAND. ACCORDING TO THE DONATION LAND CLAIM ACT, EACH MALE WHITE CITIZEN, 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER WAS ENTITLED TO 320 ACRES OF LAND IF SINGLE, IF MARRIED OR BECAME MARRIED WITHIN ONE YEAR, HIS WIFE COULD HOLD AN ADDITIONAL 320 ACRES. EMIGRANTS ARRIVING WITHIN THREE YEARS AFTER DECEMBER 1, 1850 COULD CLAIM 160 ACRES IF WHITE, MALE, CITIZENS AND OVER 21. MARRIED COUPLES WERE GRANTED 320 ACRES, ONE HALF TO THE WIFE.

DEC 2



FIRE BROKE OUT THIS MORNING IN 1922 ALONG ASTORIA'S WATERFRONT AND BY THE FOLLOWING AFTERNOON, 32 CITY BLOCKS HAD BEEN DESTROYED, WIPING OUT THE CITY'S ENTIRE BUSINESS DISTRICT. ONLY TWO LIVES WERE LOST AND LOSSES WERE ESTIMATED AT OVER 12 MILLION DOLLARS. IT TOOK SEVERAL YEARS FOR THE TOWN TO RECOVER FROM THE DEVASTATING INFERNO.

DEC 3



IN THE SPRING OF 1875, PETER BRITT INSTALLED A RAIN GAUGE ON HIS PREMISES IN JACKSONVILLE. THE DECEMBER 3, 1875, EDITION OF THE DEMOCRATIC TIMES REPORTED, "PETER BRITT INFORMS US THAT THE RAINFALL FROM OCT. 17TH TO DEC. 1ST HAS BEEN 19 INCHES. THIS IS THE FIRST TIME SINCE 1862 THAT SO LARGE AN AMOUNT OF RAIN HAS FALLEN THIS EARLY IN THE SEASON. ALL THE STREAMS ARE UP, SOME OF THEM BEING VERY HIGH, WHILE EVERY CREEK, GULCH, ETC. HAS MORE OR LESS WATER IN IT."

DEC 4



THE FIRST ISSUE OF THE PORTLAND OREGONIAN HIT NEWSSTANDS THIS DAY IN 1850. DISTRIBUTION WAS MOSTLY LOCAL AND AS FAR SOUTH AS MARYSVILLE (CORVALLIS). FOUNDERS OF THE NEW OREGON WEEKLY WERE WILLIAM W. CHAPMAN AND STEPHEN COFFIN WHO SECURED THE SERVICES OF THOMAS DRYER AS EDITOR. BOTH DRYER AND HIS SPARSE PRINTING EQUIPMENT WERE BROUGHT FROM SAN FRANCISCO BY BOAT. THE PAPER BECAME A DAILY IN 1861 AND ON DEC. 4, 1881, THE FIRST SUNDAY OREGONIAN WAS ISSUED. BETWEEN 1865 AND 1910 UNDER THE EDITORIAL GUIDANCE OF HARVEY SCOTT, THE OREGONIAN ACHIEVED AND MAINTAINED PROMINENCE AS A FIRST CLASS NEWSPAPER.

A black and white illustration of a steamship on a rocky shore. The ship is tilted, with smoke coming from its funnel. A figure is visible on the shore in the background.

THE SMALL STEAMER ST. CLAIR
MADE HISTORY THIS DAY IN 1861 WHEN
IT WAS SWEEPED OVER WILLAMETTE FALLS
WITHOUT SUSTAINING EITHER MAJOR
DAMAGE OR LOSS OF LIFE. THE STEAM
SCOW, BUILT IN 1859 AT RAY'S LANDING,
STARTED FROM CANEMA AND DISAPPEAR-
ED OVER THE FALLS WITHIN SECONDS.
WHEN CAPTAIN SMITH BLEW THE BOAT'S
WHISTLE FROM BELOW, A CHEER AROSE
FROM THE ANXIOUS ONLOOKERS AT THE
LANDING. HIGH WATER FROM THE RAV-
AGING FLOOD SWEEPED AWAY THE TOWNS
OF LINN CITY AND CHAMPOEG WAS
THOUGHT LARGELY RESPONSIBLE FOR
THE NEAR TRAGEDY.

A cartoon illustration showing a man in a top hat and a woman with luggage standing next to a wooden sign. The sign has two arrows pointing in opposite directions, with 'HOTEL SCHOOLHOUSE' above the right arrow and 'CUTHOUSE' below it. In the background, there is a building labeled 'GUY HOTEL' on the left and a schoolhouse on the right. The scene is set in a rural area with trees and a path.

IN THE DECEMBER 6, 1851 ISSUE OF THE OREGONIAN THERE APPEARED THE FOLLOWING PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT:

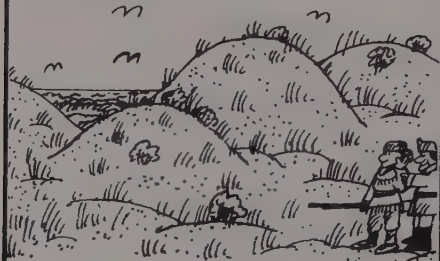
"IN PURSUANCE OF A VOTE OF THE PORTLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT, AT THEIR ANNUAL MEETING, THE DIRECTORS HAVE ESTABLISHED A FREE SCHOOL. THE FIRST TERM WILL COMMENCE ON MONDAY, THE FIFTEENTH INSTANT AT THE SCHOOL HOUSE IN THIS CITY, NEAR THE CITY HOTEL, (JOHN T. HOUSE) TEACHER." FROM DEC. 15, 1851, TO MARCH OF 1853, MR. OUTHOUSE, AS OREGON'S FIRST PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHER, TAUGHT CONTINUOUSLY AT A SALARY OF UNDER \$100 A MONTH. HIS STUDENTS OFTEN NUMBERED AS MANY AS 80, SOME COMING FROM FAR AWAY AS ASTORIA TO ATTEND THE FREE CLASSES.

A black and white cartoon illustration. On the left, a man in a suit is seated and playing a violin. Above him is a rectangular sign that reads "ON THE AIR". To his right, a woman in a dress is seated at a grand piano, playing. A small sign on the piano's music stand reads "LADIES". The background is simple, with vertical lines suggesting a stage or studio setting.

VIOLINIST TOSCHA SEIDEL AND PIANIST FRANCESCO LONGO WILL PERFORM AT THE DEDICATION OF THE OREGONIAN'S NEW RADIO STATION, KGW, WHICH TONIGHT WILL GO ON THE AIR OFFICIALLY. MEMBERS OF THE NEW STATION'S STAFF SAY THAT THE TWO NOTED ARTISTS WILL BE HEARD BY LISTENERS IN 20 STATES AND THAT THE TOTAL NUMBER OF LISTENERS MAY REACH THE INCREDIBLE FIGURE OF 100,000. THE AVERAGE AUDIENCE, IT IS ESTIMATED IS ABOUT 50,000, BUT INTEREST IN THE PLAYING OF THESE TWO GREAT ARTISTS, AND IN MR. SEIDEL IN PARTICULAR, HAS BROUGHT LETTERS FROM AS FAR NORTH AS BRITISH COLUMBIA AND AS FAR EAST AS THE DAKOTAS."

OREGONIAN
DEC. 7, 1922

DEC 8



"WE HAVING FIXED ON THIS SITUATION AS THE ONE BEST CALCULATED FOR OUR WINTER QUARTERS I DETERMIN'D TO GO AS DIRECT A COURSE AS I COULD TO THE SEA COAST WHICH WE COULD HERE HOPE AN APPEARED TO BE AT NO GREAT DISTANCE FROM US, MY PRINCIPAL OBJECT IS TO LOOK FOR A PLACE TO MAKE SALT, BLAZE THE ROAD OR ROUTE THAT THEY MEN OUT HUNTING MIGHT FIND THE DIRECT TO THE PORT IF THEY SHOULD GET LOST IN CLOUDY WEATHER—AND SEE THE PROBABILITY OF GAME IN THAT DIRECTION, FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE MEN, WE SHALL SEND TO MAKE SALT...."

JOURNAL OF WILLIAM CLARK
DEC. 8, 1805

DEC 9



"WE HAVE THIS SUMMER BEEN SEVERELY AFFLICTED BY AN INTERMITTENT FEVER WHICH CARRIED OFF A GREAT PART OF THE NATIVES IN OUR VICINITY. TO ATTEMPT TO DESCRIBE OUR SITUATION DURING THIS DREADFUL VISITATION, IS IMPOSSIBLE AND YOU CAN FORM SOME IDEA OF OUR DISTRESS WHEN I INFORM YOU THAT WE HAD AT ONE TIME SEVENTY SIX OF OUR PEOPLE ON THE SICK LIST."

LETTER OF JOHN McLOUGHLIN
DEC. 9, 1830

DEC 10



FOLLOWING IS THE FINAL ENTRY IN THE OREGON TRAIL DIARY OF THE NAMELESS PIONEER WHO STARTED HIS LONG TREK WITH OTHER SETTLERS ON THE OHIO RIVER IN OCTOBER, 1843 AND FINISHED AT OREGON CITY IN DECEMBER, 1844:

"TUESDAY, DEC. 10. A BEAUTIFUL DAY. LANDED AT THE CITY IN THE AFTERNOON. WE HAVE ARRIVED EXACTLY ONE YEAR AND TWO MONTHS FROM THE DAY WE LEFT HOME; FOURTEEN MONTHS AND MANY NEW EXPERIENCES IN OUR LIVES. MY DIARY OF THAT EVENTFUL JOURNEY ENDS HERE."

DEC 11



ON THIS DAY IN 1903 THE CORVALLIS GAZETTE PUBLISHED AN ITEM THAT SHOWED THE EXTENT TO WHICH WATER FOWL WAS IN ABUNDANCE IN EARLY OREGON. THE ARTICLE STATED THAT A PARTY OF SIX MEN HAD KILLED 250 WILD DUCKS IN A DAY. THE BIRDS WERE SOLD AT EIGHT TO TWENTY CENTS EACH AND SHIPPED TO A PORTLAND MARKET. SUCH HUNTING PARTIES WERE NOT UNCOMMON UNTIL SEVERAL SPECIES OF DUCKS AND GEESE WERE FINALLY PLACED ON THE PROTECTED LIST.

DEC 12



FORT ASTORIA WAS CEREMONIOUSLY DONE AWAY WITH THIS DAY IN 1813. CAPTAIN BLACK, COMMANDING THE BRITISH CORVETTE, RACONV, ARRIVED AT THE FORT ON DEC. 12. AFTER DINNER, A BRITISH FLAG WAS RUN UP ON THE STAFF, ACROSS WHICH, CAPT. BLACK BROKE A BOTTLE OF MADEIRA WINE, LOUDLY DECLARING THAT HE WAS TAKING POSSESSION OF THE POST IN THE NAME OF HIS ROYAL MAJESTY. HE FOLLOWED BY CHANGING THE NAME OF FORT ASTORIA TO FORT GEORGE.

DEC 13



ACCORDING TO AN ITEM IN THE OREGON STATESMAN OF DEC. 13, 1853, TREE WORMS IN OREGON FORESTS WERE TOUGHER THAN RIFLE BALLS WHICH PIONEERS SHOT IN-TO THEIR PATH:

"WROUS--MR. CARSON OF CLAKAMAS COUNTY LEFT UPON OUR TABLE A COUPLE OF RIFLE BALLS WHICH WERE CUT OUT OF A FIR TREE, INTO WHICH THEY HAD BEEN FIRED. THROUGH THE CENTER OF ONE OF THEM ARE TWO NEATLY CUT HOLES, MADE BY WORMS. THE OTHER HAS A SIMILAR ONE GRAZING THE EDGE. THE INSECT IN GNAWING INTO THE TREE, MET THE LEADEN BULLET, AND, INSTEAD OF TURNING ASIDE, WENT THROUGH IT."

DEC 14



WITH MUCH LOUD CHEERING, RINGING OF BELLS, FIRING OF ANVILS AND WHISTLING OF ENGINES, THE FIRST STEAM LOCOMOTIVE PULLED INTO THE TOWN OF MORO AT 5:30 THIS EVENING IN 1898. THE TRACKS OF THE COLUMBIA SOUTHERN TO THE EASTERN OREGON TOWN WERE COMPLETE AND THERE WAS GREAT CELEBRATION. SURROUNDED BY WHEATFIELDS, MORO'S NEW CONNECTION WITH THE WORLD OF COMMERCE WAS HAILED WITH RESOUNDING OPTIMISM FOR THE TOWN'S ECONOMIC FUTURE. THAT EVENING A DINNER FOR THE WORKERS WAS GIVEN AT THE CITY HOTEL, AND THE FOLLOWING TUESDAY A CITIZEN'S BANQUET WAS HELD.

DEC 15



CLATSOP AND YAM HILL COUNTIES WERE CUT INTO BY THE TERRITORIAL LEGISLATURE THIS DAY IN 1863, PRODUCING THE NEW COUNTY OF TILLAMOOK. IN THE ORIGINAL BILL, IT WAS SPELLED "TILEMOOKZ" WHICH WAS SUBSEQUENTLY ALTERED TO "TILAMOOK" AND FINALLY TO TILLAMOOK. CONFUSION OVER THE CORRECT SPELLING AND PRONUNCIATION WAS ATTRIBUTED TO THE SPELLING VARIATIONS OF THE INDIAN TRIBE IN THE AREA FOR WHICH THE COUNTY WAS NAMED: KILLAMOOK, KALLEMEX, KILLAMUCK, TILLAMOOK, ETC. NAMING OF THE COUNTY SEAT WAS POSTPONED UNTIL THE POPULATION INCREASED BEYOND THE EIGHTY SETTLERS LIVING THERE WHEN THE COUNTY WAS CREATED.

DEC 16



ON THIS DAY IN 1844, THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF OREGON'S PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT REPORTED TO THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE AT WILLAMETTE FALLS: "THIS GOVERNMENT HAS IN ITS POSSESSION NOTES AMOUNTING TO \$3,734.26, MOST OF WHICH ARE ALREADY DUE. THE NOTES ARE A BALANCE IN FAVOR OF THE ESTATE OF EWING YOUNG, DECEASED, INTESTATE. WE WILL THEREFORE ADVISE THAT THESE DEMANDS BE SETTLED AND APPROPRIATED TO THE BENEFIT OF THE COUNTRY, THE GOVERNMENT BEING AT ALL TIMES RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PAYMENT OF THEM TO THOSE WHO MAY HEREAFTER APPEAR TO HAVE A LEGAL RIGHT IN THEM." THE MONEY WAS USED TO BUILD THE FIRST JAIL WEST OF THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS AT OREGON CITY.

DEC 17

OREGON HISTORICAL SOCIETY



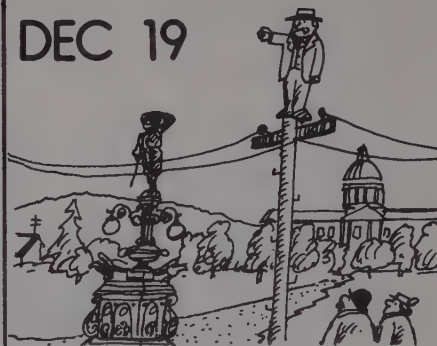
DECEMBER 17, 1898 MARKED THE BIRTH OF THE OREGON HISTORICAL SOCIETY. ITS STATED PURPOSE WAS THE GATHERING OF "INFORMATION RELATING TO THE HISTORY OF OREGON AND THE U.S., AND FOR THE ACCOMPLISHMENT OF THIS PURPOSE TO EXPLORE ARCHEOLOGICAL DEPOSITS, ACQUIRE PIONEER RECORDS AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS AND MANUSCRIPTS, PERPETUATE GEOGRAPHIC AND HISTORICAL INDIAN NAMES, PRESERVE INDIAN TRADITIONS, MAINTAIN A GALLERY OF HISTORICAL PORTRAITURE AND AN ETHNOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL MUSEUM, ENCOURAGE THE STUDY OF HISTORY AND DIFFUSE INFORMATION RELATIVE TO THE HISTORY OF OREGON."

DEC 18



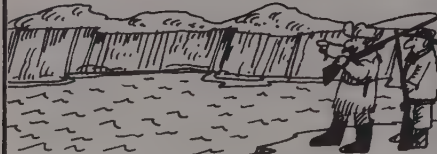
CURRY COUNTY WAS FORMED THIS DAY IN 1885 BY THE TERRITORIAL LEGISLATURE. TAKEN FROM THE SOUTHERN END OF LODS COUNTY, IT WAS NAMED FOR GOVERNOR GEORGE LAW CURRY. AN ATTEMPT TO SUBSTITUTE THE NAME TICHENOR (FOR CAPTAIN JAMES TICHENOR) WAS VOTED DOWN UPON TICHENOR'S MOTION. DUE TO THE THIN POPULATION, IT WAS UNDECIDED WHERE TO PLACE THE COUNTY SEAT, THE CHOICES BEING ELLENSBURG, CHITKO, OR PORT OREORD.

DEC 19



JOHNATHAN BOURNE, JR., FORMER OREGON SENATOR, EXPRESSED CRITICISM TODAY IN 1913, OF POSTMASTER-GENERAL BURLESON'S PUBLICLY STATED SUPPORT OF GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP OF TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE LINES. "I HAVE NOT A DOLLAR'S WORTH OF INTEREST IN ANY TELEPHONE OR TELEPHONE SECURITY," BOURNE SAID. "I AM THEORETICALLY IN FAVOR OF GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP OF TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE LINES, BUT PRACTICALLY, BITTERLY OPPOSED TO IT. BECAUSE TO MY MIND IT WOULD BE THE BEGINNING OF GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP OF NATIONAL PUBLIC UTILITIES, EVENTUATING IN BUREAUCRATIC PATERNALISM, DRY ROT, AND INSIDE OF A CENTURY GOVERNMENT DISSOLUTION."

DEC 20



ABERT RIM AND LAKE ABERT IN CENTRAL OREGON WERE DISCOVERED THIS DAY IN 1843 BY LT. JOHN FREMONT AND HIS PARTY WHILE SEARCHING FOR THE MYTHICAL BUENAVENTURA RIVER THAT WAS SUPPOSED TO FLOW FROM KLAMATH LAKE INTO SAN FRANCISCO BAY. THE RIM IS A STRIKING FORMATION, EXTENDING FOR 19 MILES ALONG THE EASTERN EDGE OF LAKE ABERT. IT RISES 2,000 FEET ABOVE THE PLATEAU WITH AN 800-FOOT LAVA CAP THAT ENDS IN A SHEER PRECIPICE. THE SCARP IS PRACTICALLY A PERFECT FAULT, AND ONE OF THE HIGHEST FAULT SCARPS IN THE WORLD. FREMONT NAMED THE LAKE AND RIM AFTER HIS CHIEF, COLONEL J.J. ABERT.

DEC 21



"MR. NATHANIEL MEYER HAS KINDLY FURNISHED THE FIGURES SHOWING THE NUMBER OF INCHES OF WATER THAT HAS FALLEN DURING THE RECENT VIOLENT STORM. IT COMMENCED RAINING THE 9TH DAY OF NOVEMBER AND DURING THE MONTH THE AMOUNT OF WATER THAT FELL WAS 7.37 INCHES, FROM THE 1ST TO 16TH DECEMBER, 5.87 INCHES OF RAIN AND 3 INCHES OF SNOW. SATURDAY AND SATURDAY NIGHT, DECEMBER 6TH, 3 INCHES OF WATER FELL. SUNRISE, THERMOMETER STOOD AT 55 DEGREES."

OREGON SENTINEL
JACKSONVILLE
DEC. 21, 1861

DEC 22



CLASSES AT SUBLIMITY COLLEGE, UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE UNITED BROTHERN CHURCH, BEGAN THIS DAY IN 1857. LITTLE IS KNOWN OF THE COLLEGE'S HISTORY, OTHER THAN THAT IT HAD TO CLOSE ITS DOORS FOR A TIME DURING THE CIVIL WAR BECAUSE SLAVERY DISSENSION HAD BECOME SO INTENSE. THE FIRST TEACHER AND PRESIDENT OF THE SCHOOL WAS MILTON WRIGHT WHO REPORTEDLY OPPOSED THE BELIEF THAT MAN WOULD EVER LEARN TO FLY. AFTER A FEW YEARS, MR. WRIGHT LEFT THE STATE AND SETTLED ON THE EAST COAST WHERE HE FATHERED 2 SONS, NAMED ORVILLE AND WILBUR.

DEC 23



"JACKSONVILLE HAS A FIRST CLASS LITERARY CLUB THAT IS FAST TAKING AWAY THE OCCUPATIONS OF THE PHILOSOPHERS BY DECIDING ALL THE IMPORTANT QUESTIONS OF THE DAY."

OREGONIAN
DEC. 23, 1873

DEC 24



OREGON CITY, THE ONLY TOWN TO HOLD A CHARTER UNDER THE OREGON PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT, WAS THE FIRST INCORPORATED TOWN ON THE PACIFIC COAST. THE EVENT OCCURED DEC. 24, 1844. KNOWN AS WILLAMETTE FALLS WHEN IT WAS SETTLED IN 1829, THIS HISTORIC SITE WAS ALSO THE FIRST CAPITAL OF ORGANIZED GOVERNMENT IN THE WEST, AS WELL AS HOST TO THE FIRST PROTESTANT CHURCH, FIRST MASONIC LODGE, AND FIRST NEWSPAPER WEST OF THE MISSOURI RIVER. IN 1864, OREGON CITY'S INDUSTRIAL LIFE WAS BORN WITH THE OPENING OF A WOOLEN MILL, AND TWO YEARS LATER, THE FIRST PAPER MILL ON THE COAST WAS BUILT HERE.

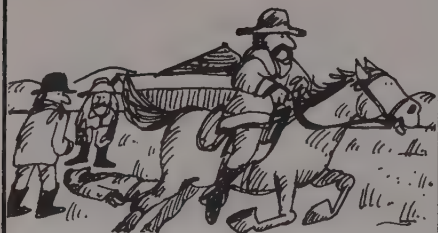
DEC 25



"WAS ANOTHER CLOUDY, WET DAY. THIS MORNING WE LEFT OUR CAMP AND MOVED INTO OUR HUTS. AT DAY BREAK ALL THE MEN PARADED AND FIRED A ROUND OF SMALL ARMS, WISHING THE COMMANDING OFFICERS A MERRY CHRISTMAS. IN THE COURSE OF THE DAY, CAPT. LEWIS AND CAPT. CLARK COLLECTED WHAT TOBACCO REMAINED AND DIVIDED IT AMONG THOSE WHO USED TOBACCO AS A CHRISTMAS GIFT; TO THE OTHERS THEY GAVE HANDKERCHIEFS IN LIEU OF IT. WE HAD NO SPIRITUOUS LIQUOR TO EVE-VALE OUR SPIRITS THIS CHRISTMAS; BUT OF THIS WE HAD LITTLE NEED, AS WE ARE ALL IN GOOD HEALTH."

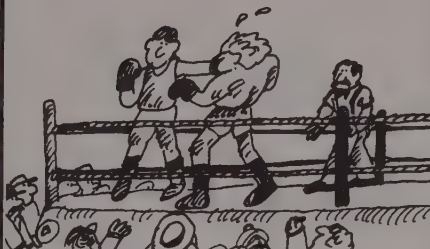
JOURNAL OF PATRICK GLASS
FORT CLATSOP, DEC. 25, 1806

DEC 26



THE EASTERN OREGON CATTLE BARON, PETE FRENCH WAS SHOT DOWN AND KILLED THIS DAY IN 1897 BY ED OLIVER FOLLOWING A LENGTHY AND BITTER LAND DISPUTE WITH SMALL RANCHERS IN THE AREA. ONE OF FRENCH'S COWHANDS, DAVID CROW, JUMPED ON A HORSE AFTER THE SHOOTING AND LEFT FOR WINNEMUCCA, 200 MILES SOUTH. DURING HIS RIDE, HE WAS IN THE SADDLE FOR 48 HOURS, CHANGING MOUNTS NINE TIMES. AFTER DELIVERING THE NEWS TO WINNEMUCCA, HE RODE TO RED BLUFF, CALIFORNIA, TO TELL MRS. FRENCH SHE WAS A WIDOW.

DEC 27



THE LONG-AWAITED BOUT OF FISTIFUFFS BETWEEN DAVE CAMPBELL OF PORTLAND AND LARRY SULLIVAN, THE SAILORS' BOARDING HOUSE KEEPER FROM ASTORIA, TOOK PLACE THIS NIGHT IN 1890. THE CROWD OF 1500 WITNESSED THE SHORT-LIVED GLOVE CONTEST IN THE PORTLAND'S MECHANIC PAVILION AS SULLIVAN GOT KNOCKED OUT IN THE THIRD ROUND BY THE HOME TOWN FIREBOY. SULLIVAN HAD BEEN LAYING FOR CAMPBELL FOR FOUR YEARS, AND FINALLY GOT HIS CHANCE. "THOUGH HE SUFFERED A WATERLOO HE ACTED THE LITTLE GIANT, SHOWING PLENTY OF SAND."

DEC 28



ON DEC. 28, 1858, A MEETING OF OREGON EDUCATORS TOOK PLACE IN PORTLAND, RESULTING IN THE FORMATION OF THE OREGON STATE EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION. OF PARTICULAR SIGNIFICANCE WAS EPISCOPAL BISHOP THOMAS SCOTT'S RESOLUTION WHICH SUGGESTED THE CONSIDERATION OF "ORGANIZING ALL DENOMINATIONAL COLLEGES IN CONNECTION WITH THE STATE UNIVERSITY" AND CALLED FOR THE "ESTABLISHMENT OF A NORMAL SCHOOL FOR THE TRAINING OF TEACHERS."

DEC 29



ON THIS MORNING IN 1855, FIRE STRUCK THE NEARLY COMPLETED CAPITAL BUILDING AND TOTALLY DESTROYED IT. IT WAS SPECULATED THAT ARSON WAS THE CAUSE, PROBABLY THE WORK OF "SOME CORVALLIS MALCONTENT STILL SMARTING OVER THE RETURN OF THE SEAT OF GOVERNMENT TO SALEM." THE TERRITORIAL LIBRARY AND CONTENTS; LAWS, PAPERS AND ARCHIVES WERE ALL BURNED AS WERE PAPERS AND JOURNALS OF THE CURRENT SESSION IN THE HOUSE AND SENATE CHAMBERS.

DEC 30



"MT. MELDOUGHLIN, WHICH HAS STOOD IN A QUIESCENT STATE AS FAR BACK AS CAN BE REMEMBERED, LAST WEEK BELCHED FORTH SMOKE, WHICH RATHER UNSETTLED THE NEWER OF SOME OF OUR CITIZENS. SOME SAY THAT THEY ALSO OBSERVED FIRE ISSUING FROM THE CRATER, BUT THIS IS SOMEWHAT DUBIOUS."

DEMOCRATIC TIMES
JACKSONVILLE
DEC. 30, 1876

DEC 31



"THIS HAS BEEN A VERY SEVERE SPELL OF WEATHER--THE COLUMBIA RIVER IS FROZEN UP SO THAT I COULD NOT GO DOWN. 18 INCHES OF SNOW ALL OVER THE COUNTRY--ALL THE EMIGRANT AND MANY OF THE OLD CATTLE PERISHED. THERMOMETER NEARLY DOWN TO ZERO. WILLAMETTE RISING WITH GREAT RAPIDITY AND THERE IS DANGER OF A WORSE FLOOD THAN IN 1849. THE SUFFERING AMONG THE EMIGRANTS IS VERY GREAT, BOTH FROM THEIR WANT OF PREPARATION FOR THE WINTER AND THE DEARTH AND PRICE OF SUPPLIES-- FLOUR IS WORTH \$42 PER BBL, THE USUAL PRICE BEING 10 OR 12 \$."

LETTER OF GEORGE GIBBS WRITTEN AT PORTLAND
DECEMBER 31, 1852

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HI! I'M HUGH WETSHOE AND I
HOPE YOU ENJOY THIS DAYBOOK OF
OREGON HISTORY. SOME EVENTS
ARE HUMOROUS, OTHERS ARE TOUCHING,
A FEW, SURPRISING AND SEVERAL ARE
SIGNIFICANT. THEY ARE ALL AUTHENTIC.
IF YOU HAVE A HISTORICAL FACT ABOUT
OREGON YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE,
PLEASE WRITE US.



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